

Religious Liberty Faces World Danger

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Global threats to religious freedom are stalking abroad in the world, according to Dr. Theodore F. Adams, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., and President of the Baptist World Alliance.

In a speech to the annual meeting of the Associated Church Press here, Dr. Adams said, "We can't take freedom for granted in our day. It is so easy to lose and so hard to regain."

Pointing to the new nationalism arising in the world, Adams said that frequently the charge is heard from the colored areas that Christianity is the white man's religion. The emerging new nations in Africa are insisting on their rights of self government. Just what this will mean in relation to the work of the missionaries remains to be seen, Dr. Adams said.

Communism
Communism restricts religious freedom wherever it gains control, Adams said. In Russia the churches are allowed to open, but the state regulates the number of churches and controls the conditions under which they operate. In China religion is being strangled as rapidly as possible, he said.

Other communist nations discourage religion and impose regulations, making it difficult for churches to function normally.

Buddhism
There is an upsurge of Buddhism and Islam in the world, Adams indicated, and just what this bodes for religious liberty no one can tell at this time.

Catholicism
Religious Liberty problems continue in Catholic countries such as Colombia and Spain, Adams said. However, in Colombia the state is making an effort to follow its constitution that guarantees religious freedom.

In Protestant countries (Continued on Page 2)

Editor Denies Red Infiltration

DALLAS — (BP) — The editor of the Baptist Standard, official publication of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, denied editorially last week that the Southern Baptist Convention (Continued on Page 2)

Liquor Situation Is Confusing

By C. M. Day,
Director of Temperance

At the present time it is impossible to know the status of Senate Bill No. 1608 which was defeated last Wednesday, but was held on motion to reconsider. On Thursday the bill was reconsidered and an amendment inserted calling for a referendum on June 7, 1960. However, the amendment was so confusing that only a very few legislators seemed to understand just what the referendum amendment really means. It seems that lawyers are confused, and different opinions prevail.

Some say that Bill 1608 as amended would make the state wet and that counties desiring

to remain dry would have to vote themselves out from under the wet law. We quote the two propositions that would appear on the June 7 ballot, as follows:

"I vote for the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law of the State of Mississippi as enacted by the 1960 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature and desire that said law be placed into operation by the governor."

"I vote against the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law of the State of Mississippi as enacted by the 1960 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature and a return to statewide prohibition."

There are three things I shall call to your attention:

The phrase, "a return to statewide prohibition" can mean but one thing, our prohibition law has been repealed and we have statewide liquor, or how else could there be a return to statewide prohibition?

Control Board
The state does not have an Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. This seems to be another of the deceptions of the proponents of legal liquor. If this bill is passed, which they hope to do, then the "Control Board" they speak of would have to be set up. It seems the cart is before the horse in this case.

The third observation is concerning the proclamation of the Governor of Mississippi which ever way the election in the proposed referendum might go. This is very irregular and I believe a precedent for our state. If there has ever been such a (Continued on Page 2)

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Promote Jewish Fellowship

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — Southern Baptists will promote closer fellowship with the 5½ million Jewish people in the United States during one week of April.

Jewish Fellowship Week "has become a traditional observance of Southern Baptists with increasing results each year." According to William B. Mitchell, Atlanta, Superintendent of Jewish Work of the Southern Baptist Convention's Home Mission Board.

April 18-24, the date set for the fellowship this year, falls during the Jewish Passover and Christianity's Easter.

"If all denominations promoted the same type service, there would be much more understanding and less conflict between religious groups in this country," said one man in Miami, Fla., where the week has been observed successfully for many years and explained on local television stations.

Local churches provide an opportunity for the Jewish people of the community to see the workings of the Baptist Sunday school and Training Union, to attend special services, and to have fellowship with pastors and members. They are encouraged to ask questions about what they see and hear during the week.

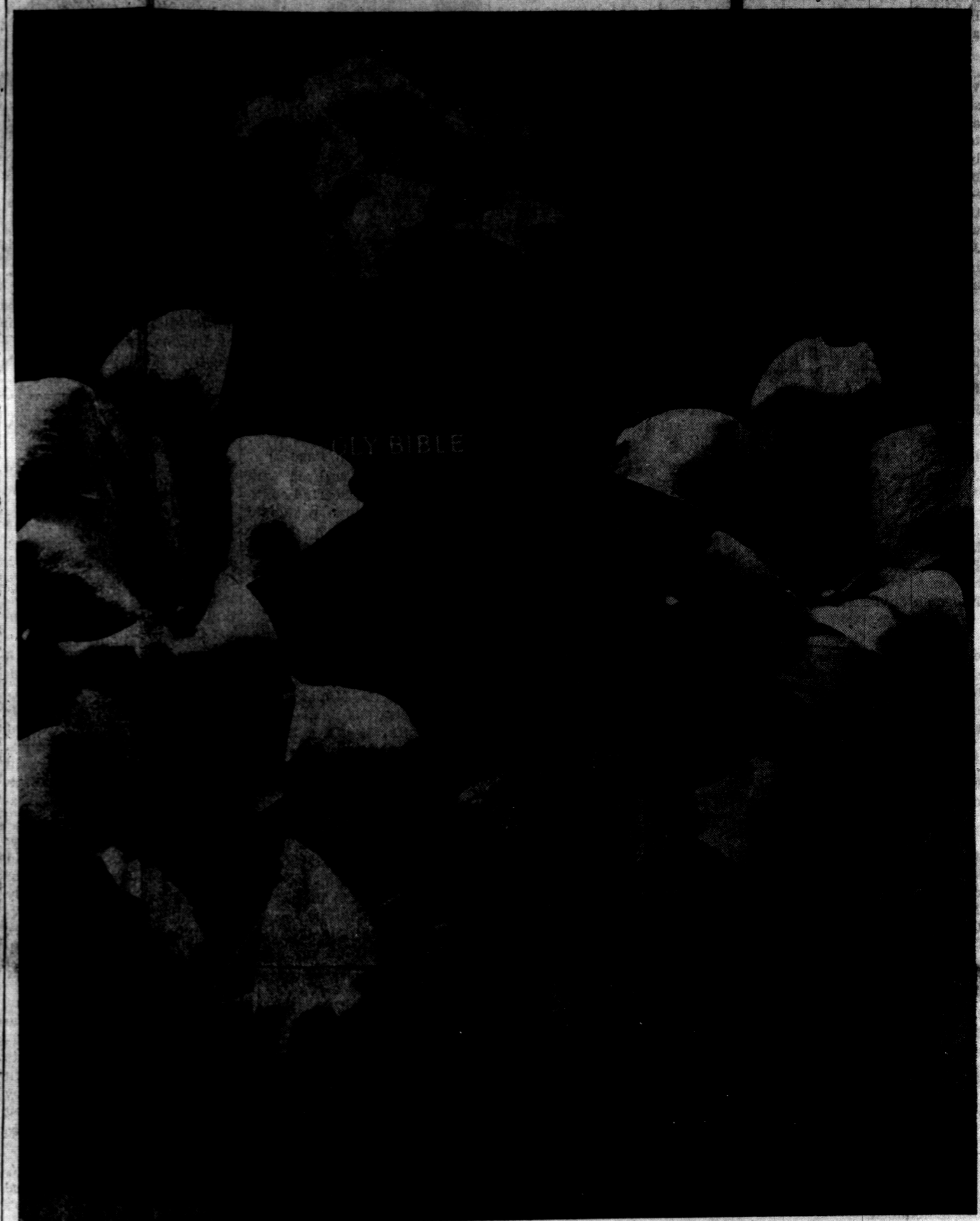
DELEGATION NOW ON WAY TO RIO

SYDNEY, Australia — (BP) — The first large delegation to leave home for the 10th Baptist World Congress is sailing now from Rio De Janeiro, Brazil. There are 40 persons in the party.

They'll make the voyage the long way stopping first in North America. The Congress isn't scheduled until June 26-July 3.

Baptists from every state in the Australian Commonwealth and one Baptist from pioneer work in New Guinea are aboard the S. S. Himalaya. The vessel will stop at Auckland, New Zealand, to pick up Baptists from that country.

In Washington, Arnold T. Ohrn, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance greeted news of the sailing—more than three months before the Congress opens — as evidence of the world-wide nature of the Rio meeting. Some 20,000 Baptists, (Continued on Page 2)



"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE . . ." Jn. 11: 25 RSV—(RNS Photo).

Nixon Urges Moral Values

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon challenged editors of the Associated Church Press to lend their influence to develop a people who stand for something. Nixon spoke at the annual meeting of the ACP, an organization of religious periodicals with a circulation of more than 30 million. He lingered with the group for an extensive question and answer period.

The Yardstick
Speaking on the danger of overemphasizing materialistic values in the struggle for world leadership, Nixon said that America "must not use the communist yardstick to measure the good life." If the United States

continues to argue production records and scientific achievements as the basis for success or failure, "we are meeting the enemy on his own grounds."

The free world has moral and spiritual values to offer, the Vice President said. "These are areas from which the Communists have excluded themselves."

Americanism
"What we need above all else," he continued, "is a dedicated people, who not only know what Communism stands for, but what Americanism stands for. We cannot win with people who believe in nothing."

Nixon paid tribute to the ministry of the editors of religious publications. He recalled the

Sunday school papers he read as a child, and referred to the literature studied by his own children.

Asserting that he had at least one thing in common with former President Truman, he said, "I played the piano for Sunday school, too!"

Asked about his predictions for future developments in Cuba, the vice president said that "venturing a prediction is very difficult but expressing a hope is much easier." He said that the basic objectives of the Cuban revolution were sound as the Cuban people sought to overthrow the corruption and oppression of the former regime.

Cuba
He expressed the hope that the real objectives of the revolution (Continued on Page 2)

Dr. Barnes Dies At 77

FORT WORTH — The man generally regarded as Southern Baptists' chief authority on church history, Dr. William Wright Barnes, died of a stroke in his dormitory suite on the campus of Southwestern Seminary early April 6. He was 77.

He was discovered in bed by a Seminary student friend who went to his room when the aged professor failed to appear for lunch.

Current Emeritus Professor of Church History at Southwestern, he served for 40 years as professor in the institution. Born in Elm City, N. C., Feb. (Continued on Page 2)

Evangelism Clinic April 21

An Associational Evangelism Clinic for the southeast area of the state will be held at First Church, Moss Point, ev. Van Hardin, pastor, on Thursday, April 21, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participating on the program (Continued on Page 2)

Baptist Students Adopt New Constitution During Annual State Retreat, At Tupelo

Dorsey Deaton, president of the Baptist Student Union at Mississippi College, was elected as president of the Mississippi Baptist Student Convention at the annual State Retreat for Baptist Student Union officers held last week-end at Tupelo.

The students also in significant action, adopted a new constitution in which the procedures of the Convention would be simplified and more effective.

The new president succeeds

Jim Brent, Mississippi State University student, who had served as president of the State BSU Council under the old constitution.

Officers
Other officers elected were: Bill Ingram, Ole Miss, vice-president; and Marion Busby, Mississippi, secretary.

These three student officers, together with three additional students selected from the state at large and three adult officers, form the Executive Committee

of the Convention, under the new constitution.

Other Members
The other Executive Committee members follow: Dolores Holmes, Gilfoy School of Nursing, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson; Sandra Paschal, MSCW; Grady Palmer, ECJC, Decatur; Dr. A. O. Collins, Booneville, pastor-advisor; J. B. Costilow, of Clarke College, student director representative, and Miss Martha Darby, North (Continued on Page 2)



THE NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the State Baptist Student Convention as elected at the State Retreat at Tupelo last week-end, are, front row, from left: Bill Ingram, Ole Miss, vice-president; Dolores Holmes, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson, Executive Committee member; Miss Martha Darby, Northwest Junior College, Senatobia, faculty-advisor; Sandra Paschal, MSCW, Executive Committee member; Grady Palmer, ECJC, Decatur, Executive Committee member. Back row, from left: J. B. Costilow, Clarke College, Student Director Representative; Dorsey Deaton, Mississippi College, president; Marion Busby, Mississippi Southern, secretary; Dr. A. O. Collins, Booneville, pastor-advisor.

Names In The News

Ralph M. Taylor, Jr., Mississippi College professor of piano and theory, is the recipient of a Fulbright scholarship to study in Germany next year. A native of Carrollton, Miss., Taylor will study music and German literature on the scholarship. Prof. Taylor has not decided at which school he will study.

Larry Smith, Laurel, and Melvin Hood, Jr., Deason, Mississippi College seniors, have been awarded teaching assistantships to attend graduate school at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, next year. They will teach mathematics courses at the school while working toward their master's degree. Janie Lomax of Sand Hill is now attending the college on a similar fellowship.

Mrs. Myrtle Crosswhite has received a one year perfect attendance pin from Little Texas Church, Tunica. The pastor, Rev. Sam Parks, received a ten year pin for perfect attendance.

Rev. Homer George is the pastor of the Overt Church in Jones Association. He is from Mobile, Ala.

Dr. Donald Roark, Yazoo City layman, was the inspirational speaker for the Simpson Association Youth Night at Mt. Zion Church on April 9.

Rev. Charles C. Smith, pastor of Rena Lara Church in Riverside Association since July, 1956, has resigned effective April 17 in order to complete his education.

L. Vernon Martin is serving the Clarksdale Church as music director.

Mrs. Dewey Meritt, missionary to Nigeria, will be the speaker for the Riverside Association W. M. U. meeting April 22 at Lula and Riverside Churches.

Raymond Gann and Bill Franklin were ordained as deacons of the Hollywood Church, Riverside Association, on March 20. Rev. Herschel Clanton is pastor.

Dr. A. Donald Bell, Professor of Religious Psychology and Counseling at Southwestern Seminary, will be the featured speaker for the Hawaii Baptist Assembly at Waiānae, Oahu, August 15-20, the Hawaii Baptist has announced.

H. Braswell Allen, deacon and chairman of the Finance Committee of First Church, Grenada, has accepted an invitation to be one of twenty-five Mississippi Baptist laymen to participate in Laymen's Crusade in the Denver, Colorado area July 27-30. Owen Cooper, Yazoo City layman, is chairman of the group.

Miss Mary Frank Kirkpatrick left Jackson April 4 for New York, Amsterdam, Holland, and Nigeria, West Africa, where she is serving as a missionary. Her address is: Baptist Headquarters Building, Ibadan, Nigeria, West Africa.

G. G. Pierce, associate in the Training Union Department of the State Convention Board, of Jackson, is directing a Group Leadership Schools Training program for the 27 cooperating Baptist churches in Amite and Wilkinson counties. The schools, to begin on Monday, April 18 and close Thursday, April 21, will be held in the Woodville and Liberty Churches.

Martha Clay, Ann Walker, Albert Gooch, Grover Grubbs, Fay Briggs, Frank Leggett, Bob Herling, Joe Pat Lambert, Stanley Ivy, Joe Ray, Mary Jo Ray, and Rachel Hunter, Mississippi College students, will attend the annual meeting of the Southern Literary Festival which will meet April 22-23 at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

Paul Fortenberry of Natchez has been employed as an artist in the Art Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville.

Rev. Curtis Burge, a graduate student at Mississippi College, as the speaker for the Jones County Association Youth Night at Highland Church, Laurel, on April 9.

Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, pastor of First Church, Hattiesburg, lead the revival services at Magnus Memorial Church, McMinnville, Tenn., last week.

Rev. Dan Morton, pastor of First Church, Amory, will be the Lee County Association Youth Night speaker on April 16 at First Church, Tupelo. Rev. Joe Causey, pastor.

Dr. Howard E. Spell, academic dean at Mississippi College, was the speaker at Highland Church, Meridian, on Sunday, April 10. Dr. C. C. Randall is pastor.

President W. Stuart Rule of Harrison Chihwee Baptist Academy, Seymour, Tennessee, announced his resignation. He will become pastor of Sharon Church near Knoxville, Tennessee.

George Breland, Jackson, spoke at Beaumont Church in the absence of Rev. J. Ray Grisett, pastor, who was preaching in revival at Ocean Springs.

George W. Cummins of Atlanta, Georgia, Associate Director of the Home Mission Board's Division of Chaplaincy, left last week for a five-week tour of Alaska and Hawaii, to confer with more than 25 Southern Baptist chaplains.

Professor James Daniel of Southwestern Seminary embarked on an extensive tour of England and continental Europe for sabbatic leave study of the religious education systems of those lands, April 13.

Dr. Charles P. Johnson, Director of Libraries at Southwestern Seminary, has been elected President of the Texas Baptist Library Association during its recent statewide convention at Travis Avenue Church, Fort Worth.

Aubrey Jones, N. L. Shoemaker, Jr., W. T. Freeman, and Alvin C. Moseley were members of a panel which discussed the question of local option on liquor, at First Church, Clara, in a recent meeting. Rev. Ken Sumrall, pastor, reports that the church adopted resolutions against liquor.

Dr. Barnes - - -
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28, 1883, he married Ethel Lee Dalrymple of Amory, Miss., in 1909. She died in 1946. Two sons survive.

More than 1,000 people gathered in the seminary's Truett auditorium for the service which was conducted by Dr. Robert A. Baker, Professor of Church History and student of Dr. Barnes.

Dr. Baker was assisted by Drs. L. R. Elliott, librarian retired, and Robert E. Naylor, seminary president, who led the scripture and prayer service.

Dr. Norman W. Cox states, "Southern Baptists are deeply indebted to Dr. W. W. Barnes for his more than 40 years of service to their history interests. Personally, he knew more of the facts of Baptist History than perhaps any man who ever lived. His services as a teacher gave a larger context to many generations of theological students. His book, The Southern Baptist Convention, has created a new atmosphere in Southern Baptist life, as well as giving an adequate account of the history of the convention itself."

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will be Rev. Troy Prince, Superintendent of Missions in Lauderdale Association; Rev. James Harrell, Superintendent of Missions in Jackson Association; and Rev. J. R. Davis, pastor of First Church, Batesville.

Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will direct the clinic, which will be of particular interest to pastors, Sunday school superintendents, Training Union directors, W. M. U. presidents, Brotherhood presidents and music directors.

The goal for baptisms over the Southern Baptist Convention in 1960 is 550,000. The Mississippi goal for baptisms is 24,070.



REGISTER FOR BSU RETREAT—Three Blue Mountain College students register at Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo, last Friday for the State Retreat for Baptist Student Union officers. From left: Miss Martha Messner, Guntown; Miss Jane Taylor, Covington, Ky.; Rev. Ralph B. Winders, director of the Department of Student Work of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Jackson; Miss Joan Taylor, Covington; Mrs. Joe Causey, Tupelo, hospitality chairman.—Tupelo Journal, Photo by Sallis.

Nixon Urges - - -

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lution would be realized with freedom, and he asserted confidence in the Cuban people to determine their own destiny when they are allowed opportunity for free elections in determining their destiny.

When he was asked to comment on the significance of the "religious issue" in the recent primary election campaign in Wisconsin between Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.), a Congregationalist, and Sen. John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.), a Roman Catholic, Nixon recognized that this issue was a factor in the results.

However, he said that none of the candidates will bring the "religious issue" into the campaign, and that it would be improper for them to do so. "The basis for election to the presidency should be qualification for the office. The raising of the religious issue will stir up latent animosities that create bitterness among the people."

Nixon was asked whether or not he agreed with President Eisenhower's policy of not making population control a matter of foreign policy in relation to overpopulated areas. He said that he agreed with the policy, that nations should make their own decisions concerning population control, and that the United States should help in this area only after specific request was made by other countries.

The White House

In introducing the Vice President the ACP president, Dr. Benjamin P. Browne, explained that the group regretted that they did not have the privilege of meeting with President Eisenhower in the White House, but that maybe the next time the editors meet in Washington, Nixon would be there to receive them.

"I hope I am there to open the door for you," Nixon replied.

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tries, where a state church exists, there are serious restrictions on the free churches. Even in the United States there are pressure groups, Adams concluded, such as racial groups, labor factions, and other economic factors that seek control over the clergy.

Editor Denies - -

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tion has been infiltrated "church by church" by Communist sympathizers.

Dr. E. S. James editor of the 358,211 circulation newspaper, said that he did not believe there are even nine card-carrying Communists within the nine-million member Southern Baptist Convention.

In an editorial in the April 6 issue of the Baptist Standard, Editor James refuted charges by Major Edgar C. Bundy, Chairman and General Manager of the Church League of America. Bundy made the accusations in a series of anti-communism meetings in South-Central Texas in late March.

According to a report in the Lufkin Daily News, Bundy said that he was shocked at some of the things supported editorially by the Baptist Standard. "In recent months," he said, "Dr. E. S. James, editor and writer of editorials, has completely whitewashed Fidel Castro and supported the National Council of Churches in its fight against the Air Force."

Bundy said that communists are infiltrating the Southern Baptist Convention "church by church" by putting Communist "travelers or sympathizers" into places of leadership.

Ludicrous

James stated in the editorial that he considered Bundy's charges against the Standard as "too ludicrous to answer."

"We have never for one moment defended Communism," he said, "nor do we expect ever to do so. We have no sympathy for Communism and we do not have too much for any man who disregards the reputation of others in order to fill his own coffers."

The editor observed "that it is quite the custom now to call everyone a Communist sympathizer if he doesn't adhere to the status quo. In fact," he said, "to some persons, most everyone is a Communist or a sympathizer unless he belongs to their crowd and sees eye to eye with them."

Pleases Reds

James expressed the opinion that "nothing could please the Red Communist group more than to have some man go up and down the country charging church groups being sympathetic toward Communism."

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tated by the action of the City of Nashville to tax all of the properties owned by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, publication house of the Convention.

The advantages of the Washington location for the Executive Committee were listed by Duncan. Although not the geographical center of the nation, Washington is the symbolical center, he said. Adequate travel facilities to and from all parts of the nation are readily available from Washington.

It is also headquarters for offices of leading industries, labor organizations, trade associations, and the like, Duncan pointed out.

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proclamation I do not recall it. We ask that much prayer be given to this situation because the House of Representatives does not want legal liquor as evidenced by their decision on last Wednesday. God gave us the victory then and He will give us the victory again. The battle is not over yet, but we are not conceding the proponents of liquor one thing. The majority of the people of Mississippi do not want liquor of any kind.

The referendum clause in the amendments to Senate Bill 1608 is the thing that changed the vote in the lower House. There are many who do not favor liquor of any kind who would allow the people as a whole to vote in a referendum believing that the state would never approve liquor.

West Jackson Churches Plan Sunrise Service

On Easter Sunday morning, April 17, the following churches in Jackson will have sunrise services at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 4312 Sagamore St., at 6:00 a.m.: Emmanuel Baptist; Highland Baptist; Midway Baptist; West Jackson Baptist; Alta Vista Baptist; Boling Street Methodist; Trinity Methodist; and Westminster Presbyterian.

Rev. Billy Smith, pastor of the Alta Vista Baptist Church, will bring the message for the service.

Quarles' Quotes

By The
Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Revival

It is good for a preacher to preach in a revival. His heart is warmed. All other service to be rendered falls into its proper perspective. It is the main business of a preacher and therefore he should regularly give himself to soul-winning.

Parkview

Last week, Sunday through Sunday, I had the privilege of being with Brother David Sutton and his wonderful people of the Greenville, Parkview Baptist Church. It was a successful, happy week. The weather was perfect. The people attended and visited. Eighteen made professions of faith and five came into the church fellowship by letter.

Goals

Educational Director Bernard Barber and the pastor were elated over exceeding a Sunday School goal of 400 on the first Sunday. On the second Sunday the goal was 500 and the actual attendance was 510 according to the Superintendent John Davis. The Training Union experienced great success also, but I failed to record the statistics.

Workers

Pastor Sutton and his colleague Barber are two very effective workers. They make a good team. The people are happy and the church is prospering spiritually.

Gulfshore

The Gulfshore Baptist Assembly offering has now climbed to \$91,814.75. When a few more churches which have delayed taking their special offering do so, we will go beyond the \$100,000 goal. It is a worthy cause. Let everyone have a part in it.

Pastors' Assembly

It's very soon! Yes, the Pastors and Missionaries will be meeting at Gulfshore (not at Kittiwake) April 25-29. This will be the first assembly on these grounds. History will be written. We hope that many will attend this unique meeting.

Hospitals Ask Exemption From Transportation Tax

WASHINGTON — (BP) — Nonprofit hospitals have joined other groups in asking exemption from the communications and transportation taxes. Rep. Frank E. Smith (D., Miss.) has introduced a bill calling for such an exemption.

In 1958 nonprofit educational institutions were granted exemption from the 10 per cent transportation and communications tax. Immediately other church-related institutions began to ask for similar exemption.

Post Office Links Obscenity To Crime

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—

Herbert B. Warburton, general counsel for the U. S. Post Office Department, told the Associated Church Press at its 41st annual meeting here that he believes there are links between crime syndicates and the publishers and distributors of obscene and pornographic literature.

He noted that the Post Office, in its campaign against obscenity in the mails, has assumed a position of leadership on a moral problem. The general counsel called on editors of religious publications to assume a more active role in the anti-pornographic drive.

Mr. Warburton observed that the U. S. Supreme Court has defined obscenity as material "when to the average man applying contemporary community standards the dominant theme appeals to the prurient interest."

Speaking on "Obscenity in the Mails," Mr. Warburton replaced Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield who earlier had been scheduled as a speaker at the meeting.

Baptist Students -

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west Junior College, Senatobia, faculty advisor.

This year's State Student Convention will meet at Immanuel Church, Natchez, Nov. 4-6, will all the churches of the Adams County Association sponsoring the event.

Summer Missionaries

The new summer student missionaries were presented on Saturday night at the Retreat, which is sponsored annually by the Department of Student Work of the State Convention Board.

The Retreat this year was held in First, Calvary and Harrisburg churches in Tupelo with the Baptist churches of Tupelo cooperating in entertaining the meeting.

The meeting began at 7 p. m. Friday and adjourned at noon Sunday following the morning worship service at First Church, with Rev. Ralph B. Winders, state director of Baptist Student Work, bringing the message.

NEW YORK (RNS) — Morhead Wright, outgoing president of the Laymen's Movement for a Christian World, said here that the average modern American has the choice of either discovering and using his spiritual forces to "eradicate inner frictions," or continuing on the same road to a "personal mental crack up."

the meeting.

Editors Recommend

The church editors recommended that religious publications set September, 1960, as a month to take a concerted attack on pornography and obscene material. The group commended the U. S. Post Office Department for its effort to curb the flow of such materials.

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representative of the world's 23 million Baptists in 106 countries, are expected.

Receptions have been arranged for the party as it makes its way to North America, then to South America. New Zealand Baptists were to greet them at Auckland. Methodists planned a welcoming party at Suva, capital of the Fiji Islands. Representatives of both the American and Southern Baptist conventions planned fellowship in Hawaii.

After arriving in North America, the Baptists from "Down Under" will spend two months visiting Baptist work in the United States and Canada.

The delegates will wear a large plastic emblem with the legend: "Baptist World Alliance Congress, June, 1960. Australian Delegate, Rio De Janeiro."

Nell Magee To Join Staff At Nashville

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSE) — Miss Nell Magee, Baptist Student Union Director at the University of Illinois, Champaign, will join the Baptist Sunday School Board's Student Department, Nashville, July 1, as Director of Student Work in Junior and Business Colleges.

A native of Tyler, Tenn., Miss. Magee has served the University of Illinois for almost 4 years. Before going to the University, she held similar positions at Sunflower Jr. College, Moorhead, Miss.; Sam Houston State Teachers College, Huntsville, Tex.; and Jones Jr. College, Ellisville, Miss.

WASHINGTON, D. C. — A Super Constellation plane, capable of carrying 70 passengers, has been chartered by European Baptists for the Baptist World Congress at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in June.



THE FIRST NATION-WIDE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION drew more than 24,000 people, who attended the three general sessions March 29-31. Shown above is a view of one of the crowds at the meeting, which was held in Fort Worth.

At A Moscow Communion Service

By Dr. Bob Pierce,
President of World Vision
MOSCOW, U. S. S. R. — That the state of the Church here in Russia is a controversial matter no one can deny. The degree of religious freedom is debated; the integrity of some of the leaders of the Church has been questioned; it seems that even to ask for prayer for our Christian brethren here is to invite criticism from certain quarters.

But at the moment all these questions seem remote and academic. I have just come from a communion service at the Moscow Baptist Church . . . and it has been one of the most moving spiritual experiences in my life.

How to communicate all that my eyes saw, my ears heard and my heart received I do not know, except just to list below the impressions which came to me and which I jotted down in my notebook:

• A call has detained us, so we enter the church a little late. Smiling, bowing, a Christian layman meets us at the door and conducts us up the stairway. He leads the way through the crowd that already overflows the sanctuary . . . up winding stairs jammed with

people . . . and on to front row seats in the balcony which they have saved for us.

Three Sermons
The service is already underway. The first of three sermons is now being delivered. We listen intently as Mrs. Pillipuk, a translator for the Baptist Union, interprets for us: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son . . . " "The Church is the glory of Christ — His crown." There is mention of the ministry of the Holy Spirit and then of the death of Christ: "When God saw His Son in the tomb, He saw us there, too—buried with Him."

• The church is full. We notice how tightly the people are packed together. Several hundred are standing, wedged together in the aisles and along the sides. They will stand for the full two-hour service. (We notice later that often someone will quietly rise and give his seat to one of the persons who has been standing.) We estimate at least 1800 people for this "make-up" Communion Service. The Lord's Supper observance is once a month; the following Tuesday this special service is held for those unable to attend on Sunday.

Several Pastors
Now the second sermon, by another of the church's several pastors. The text is John 18:1-7; 18-23. Subject: "The Stripes (Wounds) of Christ."

There is lengthy mention of Judas: "Judas knew very well this place, this garden . . . How tragic, that this one who had become a betrayer should lead the enemies to this place where he had spent much time with the Teacher."

"The Psalms reveal what Christ suffered that night Judas betrayed Him . . ." There is reference to Psalms 22, 25, 41. "Judas has shared bread with Christ, but now he betrayed Him . . ."

Now the sermon application: The Lord Jesus Christ suffered especially because Judas had been His friend, His disciple. "What kind of stripes do we give to our Christ? How many stripes do we give our Saviour?" "The words of Christ, 'Why do you betray me?' are for the world forever!" . . . Christians can give Christ "stripes" through their sin and failure, and "people who know the Scriptures but reject Christ as Saviour, they 'stripe' Him today!"

"When you are going to do something against Him, remember that you are a follower of the Christ Who died for us, Who gave himself upon the Cross."

"Are we ready for the Lord's Supper? Let us look into our hearts; let us renew our souls before Him . . . Let us be His true followers!"

Prayer
• Prayer now. Behind us we hear a sudden intake of breath, then a quiet sob. We hear another and another, until all over the church there is a quiet weeping, like the sound of softly falling rain. The prayer is quiet, restrained. But all throughout the auditorium, men and women are broken before God . . .

Singing
• Singing now: "I am coming, Lord, to Thee." The song rises, swells, fills the auditorium. An elderly lady, wearing (as do most of the women) a babushka-like platok on her head, lifts her face toward Heaven as she sings, tears sparkling on her cheeks beneath her closed eyes.

• Now the choir sings, as they have before in the service. (By the time this special Communion Service is over they will have sung at least twelve times.) We thrill to the deep Russian basses, the trilling sopranos, and above all to the earnestness, the deep seriousness with which they sing . . .

Careworn Faces
We look down on careworn faces, on stooped shoulders, on figures which reflect an utter weariness . . . and suddenly we hear again the words of Christ which we read this morning Daily Light: "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

The choir again. We listen to the interpretation: "Give thy love to Him. All thy years devote to the Saviour Christ." The words continue to ring out: "He is thy Shepherd, He died for Thee!"

• Now, congregational singing. Mrs. Pillipuk explains the song is based on I Corinthians 15:3. She interprets: "I died for you. My blood was running from the Cross. I saved you. What have you done for Me?" There is more; and while the tune is unfamiliar we recognize the song as an adaption of "What Hast Thou Done for Me?" Earlier they have sung "Nothing But the Blood" and "There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood."

• Two young girls on the balcony across from us have had difficulty in finding the song in their hymnal. An elderly lady bends down, helps them—and suddenly we see a symbolism here. The older ones who know and love the Saviour must help and lead the way for the younger . . . especially here in Russia where it is so difficult for a young person to live for Christ.

The Lord's Supper
• Time now for the observance of the Lord's Supper. The bread is one large loaf (to them symbolic of the One Church which is His Body). The pastor breaks it into twelve pieces for the deacons who will serve, and they in turn break it for the people.

• The bread is passed to us. We take, eat, bow our heads in prayer.

As we open our eyes a moment later, we see an elderly lady watching us. There is a look of love and tenderness on her face, tears course down her cheeks, and she shakes her head slowly . . . as if in wonderment . . . from side to side as she looks at us. Apparently she is moved by the fact that the visitors from America sit here also as brothers in Christ.

• And now the Cup. They do not use individual communion cups, as do most of our churches at home; but instead pass large chalices through the congregation. We notice that after each use the people wipe the cup where their lips have touched it; and we notice that most of them also wipe their eyes. . . .

• The members of the choir are standing now, singing—and their song is unfamiliar but moving: "He is our King; He is our God; He is our Friend. Him we praise, Him we bring the Glory." The anthem reaches majestic heights: "He saved us by His eternal life . . . He opened Heaven for us!"

• Time to go, for another appointment awaits us. The people are singing as we leave, but they reach out to shake our hands, to pat our shoulders as we go by, to bow with warm but tearful smiles.

• And as we leave the church, we pause just a moment to listen to the song that rings out above the darkened streets of Moscow: "Hallelujah, Thine the glory, Revive us again!" — Reprinted by permission from World Vision Magazine, March, 1960.



A COMMUNION service at the Moscow Baptist Church in Russia is a moving spiritual experience for visitors and members alike.

—IN TEL AVIV, ISRAEL With Billy Graham

People pushed past harried ushers in a Haifa church and in the Jerusalem Y. M. C. A. as Billy Graham's Holy Land pilgrimage almost became a major preaching crusade.

Others knocked again and again at the church doors which were locked to prevent really dangerous overcrowding. Inside, many stood for an hour in a stuffy balcony while some climbed atop school desks to watch the American evangelist speak.

In Tel Aviv's twin city of Jaffa, twelve hundred people jammed into a church which normally seats six hundred. One hundred and fifty others listened via a loudspeaker in the garden outside.

It was here that the widely publicized controversy arose over the Israeli officials' refusal to let Graham's sponsors rent the large public auditorium for a meeting. TIME magazine reported that the auditorium issue was referred to Prime Minister Ben-Gurion who was in America. According to TIME, the old Zionist cabled that he had no objection provided Graham would refrain from mentioning Jesus Christ before a Jewish audience.

Half Were Jews
Graham said repeatedly that he had come to Israel primarily as a pilgrim and incidentally to preach to the Christian community; but, if Jews came to the services he would not keep them away. And they did come. Of the six thousand who heard Graham at four different places, well over half were Jews and the rest were mostly Arab Christians.

The newspapers gave excellent coverage to the meetings, including accurate summaries of Graham's key theme that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and man's only Savior. The same message went out over an Israeli radio station across "no-man's-land." Radio Jordan broadcasted the entire sermon which Graham had preached a few days earlier to a standing room only crowd in the Lutheran church in Old Jerusalem.

Christian meetings on this scope have not been held in the Holy Land in modern times. Observers said they pointed up a great spiritual hunger in a land where the great majority are totally without formal religious faith and where pristine zeal of Zionism is dimming among the youth.

All Are Responsible
Religious freedom in Israel is within certain limits. Graham recognized that the background of persecution in so-called Christian lands accounts for much of the social and economic pressure brought about on Jewish converts to Christianity. He told his audiences that these persecutors were false Christians. He also emphasized that Christ was crucified by the Romans and not the Jews, and that we are all partly responsible because our sins helped nail Him to the cross.

The Israeli government went all out in its welcome to Graham as "a true friend of Israel." President Ben Zvi invited him to his residence for a fifteen minute visit and kept him for an hour. Mistress Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, entertained Graham and several other Christian leaders at a luncheon. Graham had a half hour conversation with the Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Toledano.

Not Political Spokesman
Graham was careful to avoid being involved in the political differences between the Israelis and the Arab world. He told interviewers that he was a representative of the Gospel and not a political spokesman in any sense; however, he pointed both Arabs and Jews to the words of Christ about love and forgiveness.

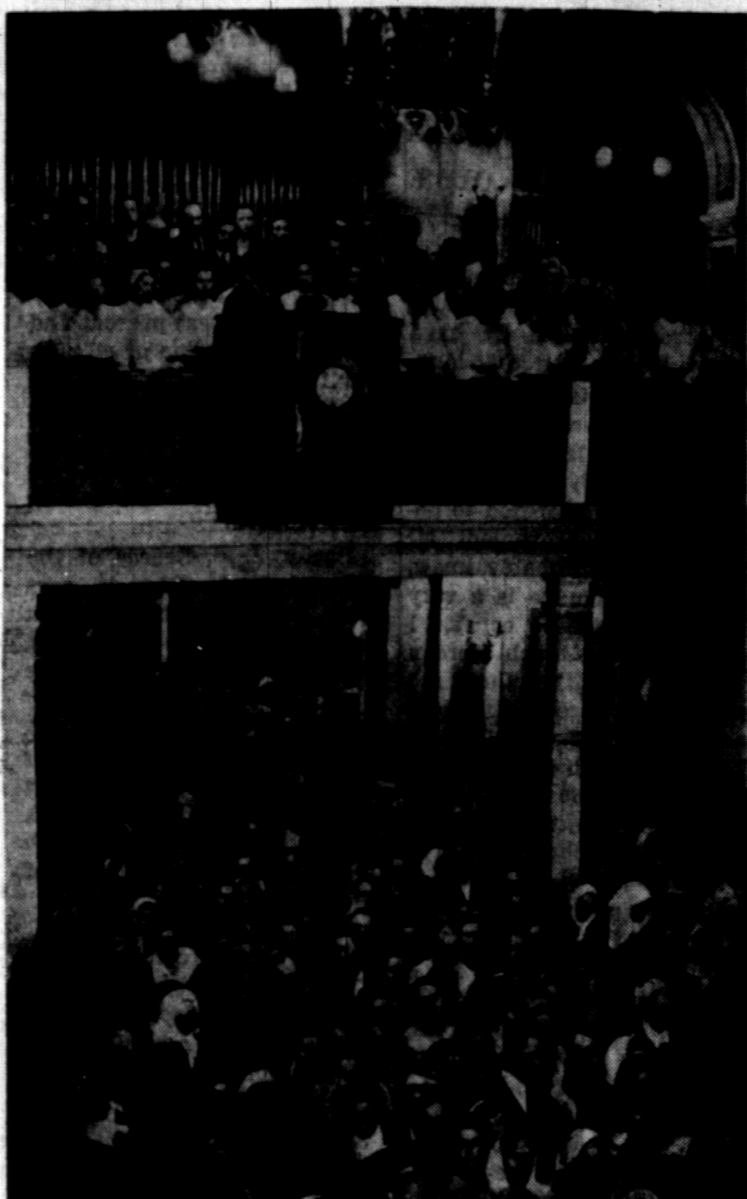
In Haifa, the beautiful seaport near the Lebanese border, Graham invited his hearers to remain after the meeting if they wished to accept Christ. In Nazareth where the meetings were held under the trees on a beautiful hillside, inquirers were asked to walk away from the main crowd and gather on a knoll for further counseling. Three or four hundred responded at the two services. Among them were several dozen Jews.

Preached Gospel
At Jerusalem and Jaffa Graham followed the advice of local Christian leaders and gave no public invitation, but he preached forthright Gospel messages and asked interested persons to write to the United Christian Council which had invited him to Israel. Bone tired from nine weeks of campaigning, mostly in Africa, and troubled with insomnia, Graham left for Paris by air and boarded the Queen Elizabeth at Cherbourg. He hoped to get some rest before arriving in America where interest in his African tour, already considerable, has been whetted by current major stories in three magazines—LIFE, TIME and NEWSWEEK.

Rescue Home Worker Dies

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP)—Herbert Hampton Topp, who went to the Baptist Rescue Home in New Orleans, La., seeking help and stayed to serve 31 years as secretary-bookkeeper, died April 5.

"He came to the home seeking help, and when they found how highly qualified he was as a secretary, they asked him to stay," said Clovis Brantley, Superintendent of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's Mission Centers. The home had been started only two years when Topp, a native of Shannon, Miss., went there in 1929. He could read several languages, including French, Italian, Spanish, and Latin, says Brantley. Topp was not an appointee of the Home Mission Board.



AS DR. BOB PIERCE, President of World Vision, looked at the scene above in the Moscow Baptist Church, U. S. S. R., he wrote, "We look down on careworn faces . . . on figures which reflect an utter weariness . . . and remember Christ's words: 'Come unto me . . . and I will give you rest.'"

SOUTHERN BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOLS SHOW BIG GAINS

FORT WORTH, Tex. (RNS)—Sunday school enrollment of Southern Baptist youth increased nearly 50 per cent in the past six years, it was reported here at the denomination's first nationwide Sunday school convention.

"From an enrollment low point of about 500,000 people between the ages of 17 and 24 in 1953, Southern Baptist Sunday schools have experienced an increase of 236,387," said James V. Lackey, superintendent of young people's work for the denomination's Sunday School Board.

"I think we can attribute a large portion of this increase to our Young People Away program," he said. The program, he explained, is a means of maintaining contact between hometown churches and their young people away at college. Through frequent correspondence, college students are informed of hometown happenings, supplied with religious material and encouraged to participate in church and Sunday school while at college.

"One of the problems we face," Mr. Lackey added, "is the fact that only about one in five Baptist college students belong to a church and a Sunday school class in the town where they attend college."

Attending the three-day convention were more than 20,000 delegates from throughout the

country. Daily workshops and nightly general sessions covered every aspect of Sunday school work.

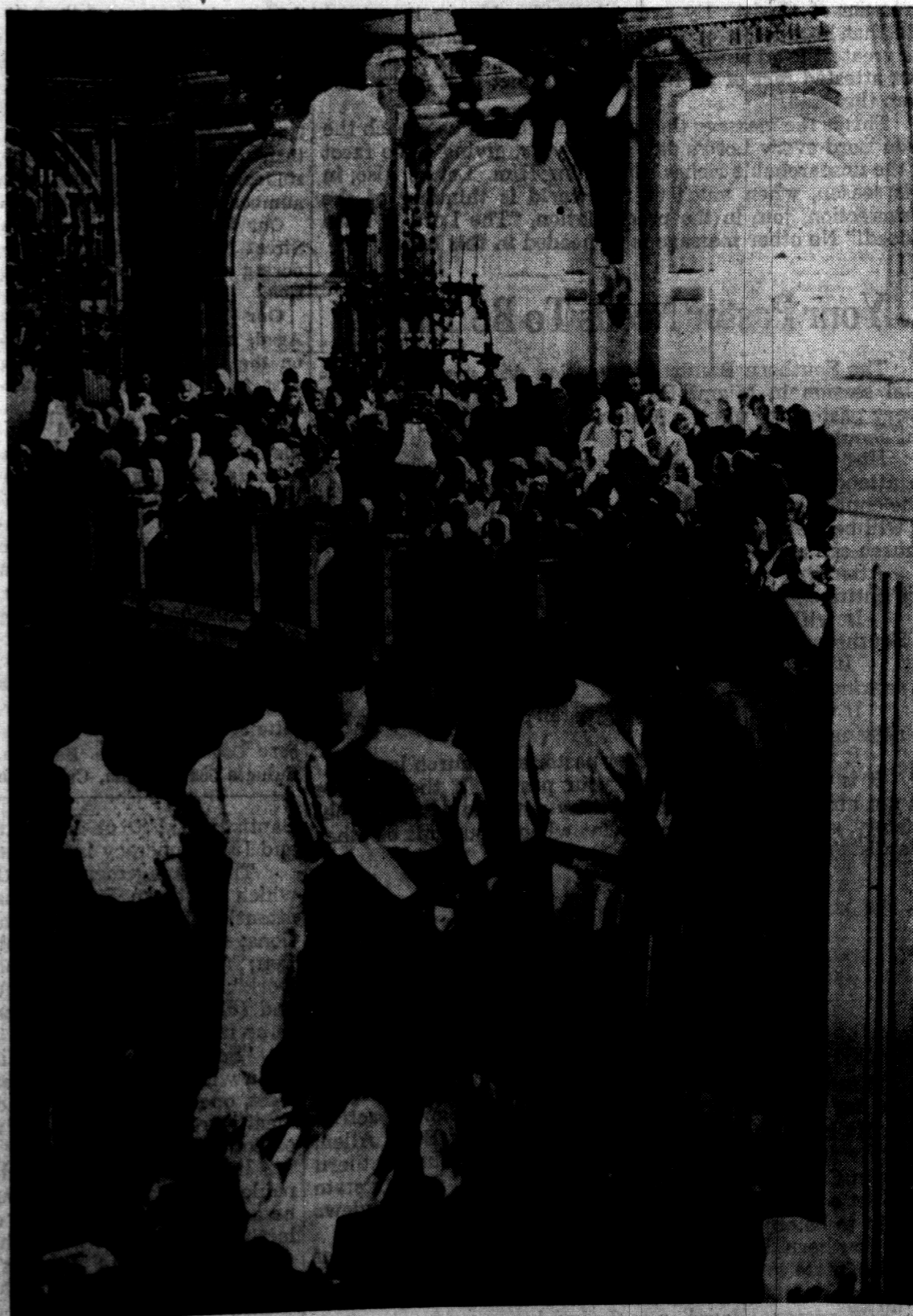
A visitor from Great Britain was the Rev. C. Donald Goulding, minister of the 500-member Haven Green church, Ealing. Discussing student work in England, he said that college students there are six times more active than their elders in church and Sunday school.

"While only about 10 per cent of the total English population attend church or Sunday school, a survey at Cambridge (University) indicates that 60 per cent of the students there participate in one or both." A similar survey at Oxford University, he added, showed like results.

"English college students definitely are returning to evangelical religion, but I don't know how to explain it," he said.

Dr. Ramsey Pollard of Knoxville, Tenn., president of the Southern Baptist Convention, told a general session "un-churched people do not accidentally drift into Sunday schools or worship services." Christians must go after them, he said.

"Missionary zeal is our hope and such zeal must not be confined to our efforts to win Japan, Korea and the rest of the world," he said. "It must include the man, woman and child in our own neighborhoods."



IN THE MOSCOW Baptist Church the people, standing and sitting, are tightly packed together at all services. The photo above shows the balcony area, choir and choir director who stands in front of the choir, which sits at the rear of the church.

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Preaching the Resurrection

The large majority of Baptist churches (and certainly almost all Southern Baptist churches) do not observe Lent, Holy Week, or Good Friday, and in most of them even Easter is observed only by the preaching on the resurrection theme, and sometimes by the presentation of special music.

We agree with this practice, for there is nothing in the Scripture that commands or even warrants such observances. Furthermore, we have enough to preach and practice without adopting the traditions of men. Some Baptists, however, go so far as to say that we do wrong in even recognizing Easter by preaching on the resurrection on that day. We believe that such objections are without real ground, for one is not observing Easter as a festival, when he preaches the glorious resurrection theme on that day.

Every Lord's Day is a time for recognizing and proclaiming the resurrection of Christ, so any Lord's Day is a good time for preaching it. Can there be, then, any harm in preaching this glorious truth, at the same time that almost the whole Christian world is thinking about it? We can see no more harm in this than in preaching on the birth of Christ during the Christmas season. We recognize that Christmas is probably not the actual birthday of Christ, but we can proclaim his advent in that season, not as observance of an "heathen festival", but as recognition of a glorious fact. In the same manner we can preach His resurrection in the Easter season, without giving some special observance or recognition to the day. Furthermore, should we not, when the season is being so commercialized and paganized, stand up and give testimony to the glorious truth it is supposed to represent?

The Greatest Fact

It may well be said that the greatest fact of history is the resurrection of Christ. This takes nothing away from the importance of the death on the cross, for these two facts, together, constitute the glorious gospel of redemption we are commanded to preach. Without the resurrection, however, the cross is meaningless. Dr. R. A. Torrey wrote, "The crucifixion loses its meaning without the resurrection. Without the resurrection, the death of Christ is only the heroic death of a noble martyr. With the resurrection it is the atoning death of the Son of God."

Jesus spoke often of His death and resurrection, and made the resurrection the one great sign that He was the Son of God. "Show us a sign," said His enemies. "No sign shall be given," you, answered Jesus, "but the sign of the prophet Jonas. For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth." Paul later said in Romans that Christ was "declared to be the Son of God with power . . . by the resurrection from the dead."

The resurrection of Christ was the most prominent part of the apostolic testimony. On Pentecost Peter preached on the theme of the resurrection, and the apostles and other disciples, then and at later times, when they were filled with the Holy Spirit, gave "witness of the resurrection of Christ from the dead." It was the living Christ, one raised from the dead in a bodily resurrection, whom Paul and all other New Testament witnesses preached. No greater passage can be found in all the New Testament than Paul's message on the resurrection in the fifteenth chapter of 1 Corinthians.

No fact in history is more clearly proved than the resurrection of Christ. By every law of evidence it can be said that here is history's surest record. Greenleaf, one of the greatest legal authorities who has ever lived, said, "The best attested fact of all history is the fact that Jesus rose from the dead."

This is the message that we proclaim. Let us preach the risen Lord every Lord's day of the year, giving some facet of the unsearchable riches concerning Him. Let us, also, in this season, when much of the world is thinking of the resurrection, join in the proclamation, "The Lord is risen indeed!" No other message is so needed in this hour.

Your Pastor Needs To Be There

The Southern Baptist Convention will meet in its annual session in Miami Beach, Florida, next month, and every pastor and church leader who can possibly be present should attend.

Has your church made arrangements for your pastor to attend? Just voting him the privilege is not enough. The church should send him, providing all of his expenses. It will be well to include enough to send his wife too. The church can make no finer investment of its funds.

Attending the Convention will bless your pastor, and the entire church.

It will give him a broader understanding of our Southern Baptist work.

It will open his eyes to the world needs we are seeking to meet.

It will challenge him to greater preaching and witnessing for Christ.

It will make him a better pastor and church leader.

It is not too late to send your pastor. If the expense is not already in your budget, why not take action immediately, so that he can be present when thousands of other Baptists gather in the Florida metropolis?

GUEST EDITORIAL

Evaluating Strong Points and Weaknesses

A man who has a five-foot shelf of reports from surveys done for Southern Baptists has evaluated Baptist activities. He is H. Lawrence Wilsey of the firm of Booz, Allen, and Hamilton of Chicago which has surveyed the Southern Baptist Convention at large, several agencies, and six state Baptist conventions (including North Carolina). His views ought to be objective at least.

Southern Baptist strong points, found in surveys of the six state groups, according to Wilsey are: (1) unity of Baptists and "their ability to work together co-operatively"; (2) personal devotion to God and the work undertaken by Baptists; (3) persistent optimism—looking forward to the challenge of tomorrow; (4) the comprehensiveness of



WHERE EARLY CHRISTIANS SUFFERED MARTYRDOM—Rome—This huge plastic scale reproduction of imperial Rome gives some idea of the architectural grandeur that invested the Eternal City when the infant Church suffered persecution there. Among the infamous as well as historic landmarks were the Circus Maximus (foreground) and the 50,000-seat Colosseum (right center), both bathed in the blood of Christian martyrs. Gigantic torture stages for public amusement, they were for several centuries scenes of some of the most vulgar and cruel spectacles in human history as great multitudes met death by wild beasts, fire, sword, scourging and other violent means.—(Religious News Service Photo).

The Baptist Forum

Come Over To Cuba And Visit Us

Cuban Baptists extend a special invitation to Southern Baptists to visit us this year. We are always happy for you to come but this year there is a special need for your visit. Thousands of messengers will come to the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami Beach in May.

Twenty-one Baptist churches in Metropolitan Havana invite you to come to Cuba. The flying time from Miami, Florida, to Havana, Cuba, is fifty-five minutes. We want you to see our churches. The pastors and members of these churches will help you see something of our work in this great city of 1,500,000 people.

We want you to see our institutions also.

Institutions

The Baptist Seminary, Morrell 102, Loma de Chaple, formerly known as Loma de Luz which is translated Hill of Light, is seeking to prepare men and women to give the light of the Gospel to the Cuban people. This year we have 25 students enrolled. From our Seminary you will have one of the very best views of the city of Havana.

The Baptist Student Center is located at J Street No. 555, Vedado, near the University of Havana. It ministers to more than one hundred university students and about the same number of secondary students. Our Baptist Clinic at Eighth Street No. 254, Vedado, is rendering a splendid service to the sick.

Our Baptist Home for the Aged, near Kilometer No. 15 on the Central Highway going east from Havana is ministering to a few aged people. This institution is maintained completely by our Cuban Baptists.

Tours are being organized for those who wish to come to Cuba before and after the convention at Miami Beach. Those who are interested may get in touch with Mr. B. M. Crain, Home Mission Board, 161 Spring Street, N. W., Atlanta, Georgia, or Rev. Wendell G. Davis, Midwood Baptist Church, 2029 Mecklenburg Avenue, Charlotte 5, North Carolina, or Herbert Caudill Templo Bautista, Zulueta 502, Havana, Cuba. We

The Hendersons, Guy, Lois, Rex, and Melinda

Baptist work, "to an extent true of no other denomination"; and (5) democracy in Baptist life.

The management consultant also cited improvements which Southern Baptists may make. They are: (1) more attention to establishing objectives within state conventions; (2) better program planning; (3) more self-evaluation; (4) "more can be organized to make democracy work"; (5) strengthen the administration of Baptist work, and (6) "leadership selection, development and use needs to be improved."

"Southern Baptists," Wilsey said, "are unique in serving a widely diverse membership—poor and rich, east and west, one political party and the other, with each state to meet its own situation. This is one of the greatest strengths of Southern Baptists."

In securing Baptist leaders, he said: "Devoted and capable people are selected, but being a good Baptist should be a minimum, and not an exclusive, qualification for selecting a person for leadership."

We agree with Wilsey's observations but would have gone one step further in warning against a definite trend toward centralization in Southern Baptist life. It is difficult to put your finger on it, but the trend is there. Baptists would be wise to watch it.—Biblical Recorder, North Carolina.

shall be very happy to serve you.

HERBERT CAUDILL

The Hendersons Write From Korea

Taejon, Korea

Dear Friends:

Our first six months in Korea have gone by so rapidly it is hard to realize we have been away from you this long, but they have been happy, full months for use.

We began our language study October 15 with three other couples and are gratified to notice a little improvement all along. As you probably know, the Korean language is a very difficult language to speak. I don't know how much Korean we have learned, but there are some Koreans here beginning to speak with a Southern drawl!

The young man who helps us around the house and is our night watchman was married the day after Christmas to a fine Christian girl.

Mr. Kwan and his wife had a very simple but beautiful wedding. She was dressed in a white "china-chugordi," which is the regular Korean dress, and she also wore a veil. It is the custom for the bride not to smile on her wedding day. They believe that if they do smile, their first child will be a girl, and what could be worse.

We will finish our language study here about the middle of May, after which we will move to Pusan for about a year. Pusan is a most important port city, and our hospital is located there. We will continue our language study three hours a day, help in the hospital administrative work and do evangelistic work in the entire southern area.

We are grateful for the large number of appointees for the Orient during the past year, but one couple in a year's time for Korea does not seem quite adequate. Our work is being seriously hampered because of lack of personnel. Again we ask you to pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth laborers. Korea is the "whitest" field in the Orient, but we must have more missionaries to do the work.

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Pages From The Past

By J. L. BOYD, Sr.

60 Years Ago

Editor T. J. Bailey tells of his attendance on the Sunday afternoon exercises of the Sunbeam Band of the Clinton Baptist Church when a little daughter of Missionary A. C. Watkins from Torreon, Mexico, was present and "greatly interested us all with her talks about the condition of things in Mexico." (Mrs. Herbert Street of Clinton says that she thinks that was an older sister, Mrs. Edna Watkins Hewitt.)

Pastor J. B. Searey of the Biloxi, First, Church says they have bought a nice lot right in the heart of the city, in the same street as the banks and only a block away. W. P. Price, Secretary B. Y. P. U. Department, urges that all examination papers be sent in before April 30, and "Send 10c along with each paper to pay the expense of grading."

50 Years Ago

Pastor I. P. Trotter of First Church, Hattiesburg, sends a report of a very successful revival meeting resulting in 86 additions to the membership, 58 of them by experience and baptism.

40 Years Ago

Enlistment Superintendent A. L. O'Brian reports that in a three-day meeting with the Lucedale Church they experienced "the greatest meeting" he was ever in. Put Baptist Record in every home, had 35 professions of faith, twenty-one of them for baptism, raised subscription for pastor's salary, planned for the church to pay one fifth of their \$75 million quota. Rev. J. L. Low, pastor.

25 Years Ago

Pastor R. B. Patterson of Calhoun City Church tells of a successful revival meeting which resulted in forty additions to the church membership, thirty-one of them for baptism. Rev. W. A. Greene of Waynesboro was the preacher.

Calendar of Prayer

April 18 — Guy Graham, Itawamba Superintendent of Missions; James Harrell, Jackson Association's Superintendent of Missions.

April 19 — Mary B. West, Wm. Carey College staff; Frank Wall, Mississippi Association's Moderator.

April 20 — N. F. Davis, Monroe Association's Moderator; Gertrude Lippert, Miss. College faculty.

April 21 — Mrs. O. M. Jones, Baptist Book Store; Mrs. O. D. Youree, Union Association's W. M. U. President.

April 22 — Betty Jeanne Weeks, Baptist Student Director, MSCW; Ralph Winders, Baptist Building.

April 23 — Walter F. Taylor, Blue Mountain College faculty; Victor Kaneubee, New Chocataw Association's Music Director.

April 24 — W. A. Whitten, Seminary Extension Department; C. M. Day, Director of Temperance Department.

19TH CENTURY BAPTIST PRESS PECK LEADS IN FORMING HOME MISSION SOCIETY

NEW YORK, April 27, 1832—(BP)—Formation here today of the American Baptist Home Mission Society brought assurance that the American frontier will not be neglected while Baptists extend their foreign mission program.

John Mason Peck

As Luther Rice is the father of the foreign program, launched with the formation of the General Convention for Foreign Missions in 1814, so John Mason Peck is founder of the Home Mission Society. A tireless frontier missionary with the courage of a Daniel Boone, Peck has labored in the West for years.

Work of the society is to be largely on the western frontier, along the Mississippi Valley. Domestic missionaries are to be sent into other regions also, however, including New York, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Missouri, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Canada. Slogan of the new organization is "North America for Christ."

Triennial Convention

The society was formed during the meeting here of the Triennial Convention and has the blessings of the Convention, which now will be free to devote itself more fully to foreign missions. A record total of 122 delegates attended the Convention.

Jonathan Going of Worcester, Massachusetts, who shares credit with Peck for formation of the society, was named first secretary. Herman Lincoln, also of Massachusetts, was elected president.

Peck was appointed by the Triennial Convention as a domestic missionary to the Missouri Territory in 1817. He continued to labor in the West even after the Convention withdrew support.

\$5 A Week

The Massachusetts Baptist Missionary Society hired Peck as a missionary to the West in 1822 at a salary of \$5 a week. Later Going was sent West by Massachusetts Baptists to report on the work there, and for three months he and Peck traveled over the Mississippi Valley. Before Going returned East, he and Peck laid plans for the formation of the Home Mission Society.

During his years on the frontier, Peck has traveled thousands of miles to organize hun-

dreds of churches, Sunday schools, and Bible and missionary societies.

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Counselor's Corner

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson
(Author of the new book, "Sir, I Have A Problem," at your Baptist Book Store)

UNPARDONABLE SIN

QUESTION: I would like to know what Heb. 10:26 means. Is this the unpardonable sin?

Also, I would like to know what is meant by the statement that a person cannot come to bad any time he wants to.

ANSWER:

You will find a discussion of the unpardonable sin on page 10 of my book, Sir, I Have A Problem.

Heb. 10:26 refers either to Jews who after professing Christianity returned to Judaism or to any Christians who "sin willfully." In either case, it need not mean that Christians can be lost after they are saved (else it flatly contradicts a hundred other passages in the New Testament). It probably refers to the chastisement of Christians. Don't build your doctrine on a verse or two in the Bible. Build it on the person of God who has revealed himself in Jesus Christ. Is he the kind of God who would let his children down?

As to the statement that "a person cannot come to bad" I never heard such a statement. It is not true. We are free human beings. But after we are born again we have eternal life (the life of God) and this means ultimate victory. In this life we can mess things up pretty badly, but if we are saved people (Christians) we will come back to Christ in repentance.

If you are worried about these passages, cast yourself on the mercies of God in hope and faith and know that he will "in no wise cast out" (John 6:37).

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 W. 47th St., Kansas City 12, Missouri).



Apostles Unlimited

There were more apostles than twelve. After Judas defected, Matthias became a thirteenth. There is no evidence, however, that replacement as such occurred again beyond this point in the history of the early church.

Yet Paul (1 Cor. 9:1 and many others) surely was a fourteenth, and Barnabas (Acts 14:14) was a fifteenth. James the Lord's brother (Gal. 1:19) was number sixteen. Numbers' seventeen and eighteen were Andronicus and Junias (Rom. 16:7). False apostles are mentioned in Rev. 2:2 and II Cor. 11:13. And Heb. 3:1 informs us that even Jesus was an apostle.

An apostle, of course, was "one sent." According to Mk. 3:4, Jesus "appointed twelve that . . . he might send them forth." Hence, an apostle was

approximately equivalent to the modern missionary.

More Than Twelve

So, the apostles were more than twelve, many more. They were missionaries sent forth with the good news from God. Jesus, then, in this sense, was the original missionary.

Churchmen today are tossing around a term that is fraught with significance: apostolate of the laity. The point is that not just preachers are apostles. But according to this view, every Christian ought to be in some sense an apostle too.

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NEW BROADMAN FILMSTRIP SCHEDULED

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB)—Broadman Films, Nashville, will release its latest filmstrip, "Music in the Departments."

June 1. The 50-frame black-and-white filmstrip pertains to the music ministry in Sunday School and Training Union Departments, clinics and workshops. It shows the responsibilities of departmental leaders and physical requirements for departmental facilities.

This filmstrip will be available at all Baptist Book Stores.

BMC MAY DAY TO BE MAY 7

Saturday, May 7, will be one of the most eventful days ever celebrated at Blue Mountain College.

Alumnae of the College and other interested visitors will gather on the Campus for special class reunions, special addresses, program features, and the annual May Festival, from many sections of the Mid-South and the nations. The Alumnae Meeting and the May Festival are to include important and colorful activities on the occasion of Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey's last celebration of the two special events with the Alumnae and members of the present student body, as President of Blue Mountain College. He has served in this capacity for thirty-five years, and has announced his retirement, effective June 1.

The day will begin with registration for both Junior and Senior Alumnae at 9 o'clock in the Corridor of Garrett Hall. The joint business session will be held in Garrett Auditorium at 9:45, and at 10:30 the principal address will be delivered by Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, President-elect of Blue Mountain College, Professor of Bible since the 1936-'37 session.

The regular alumnae luncheon will be held in the College Dining Hall at 12:15. At 1:30 in the afternoon, the special program honoring the Reunion Classes will be held in Garrett Auditorium. The following classes are holding reunions: 1959, 1955, 1945, 1935, 1925, and 1910. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the May Festival will be held in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium. This Festival promises to be one of the most beautiful and entertaining programs ever presented at Blue Mountain College.

Participants in the May Festival will include: Betty Potts, New Albany, May Queen; Elizabeth Dilworth, Rienzi, Maid of Honor; Mary Lou McCord, Memphis; Mary Jane Greer, Potts Camp; Sue Jernigan, Pensacola, Fla.; Nancy Buchanan, Blue Mountain; Billie Hutchison, Blue Mountain; Mary Ella Quick, Bloomfield, Mo.; Masako Matsumo, Oita-ken, Japan; Laquita Inmon, Memphis; Carolyn Eubanks, Houston, Tex.; Dora Jane Dilworth, Rienzi; Nelda Lyons, Collierville, Tenn.; and Kay Witt, Ripley, all Maids of the Queen's Court.

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PENNSYLVANIA CONTEST STATE'S NEW BIBLE LAW

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (EP)—A bill signed by Pa.'s Governor David L. Lawrence last December, has excused school children from reading the Bible on a written request from their parents.

Now some citizens are asserting that this new law is unconstitutional because it permits Bible-reading in public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Schempp of Roslyn, Pa., Unitarians, were the ones who took the matter to court. Last year, this couple won a victory in a similar test of Pa.'s compulsory Bible reading law. The old legislation was declared unconstitutional by a district federal court and this decision has been appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

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GROUP TRAINING SCHOOL Mendenhall

A Training Union Group was recently conducted in Simpson Association at Mendenhall, under the leadership of Mr. Hillman B. Miller, Associational Training Union Director, and Rev. Grady Smith, Superintendent of Missions. A total of 118 were enrolled with an average attendance of 103 for the week. The following served on the faculty: Nursery-Beginner Leaders, Mrs. Harold St. Gemme of Jackson; Primary Leaders, Mrs. Fran Picker of Birmingham; Junior Leaders, Miss Lois Tyler of Jackson; Intermediate Leaders, Mrs. Joe T. Odle of Jackson; Juniors, Miss Carolyn Davis of Mendenhall; Intermediates, Rev. Bob Odenwald of Mendenhall and Rev. Morris of D'Lo. Young People — G. G. Pierce of the Training Union Department; Adults, Curtis Beard, Jackson. The following churches were represented: Braxton; Mendenhall, Macedonia, D'Lo, Pinola, Oak Grove, Poplar Springs.

GROUP TRAINING SCHOOL Magee

A Training Union Group School was also conducted in Simpson Association at Magee, under the leadership of Mr. Miller and Rev. Smith. A total of 118 were enrolled in the classes for the week and an average of 100 were present each night. The Adults were taught by Rev. Joe Abrams of Clinton; Young People, Mrs. Charles Tidwell of Jackson; Intermediate Leaders, Mrs. Joe Abrams of Clinton; Junior Leaders, Miss Winnie Byrd of Hattiesburg; Nursery, Beginner, and Primary Leaders, Miss Evelyn George of the Training Union Department, Jackson.

YOUTH WEEK?

Did your church observe Youth Week? If so, mail in the report blank which is found in the Youth Week tract. If you do not have one, please request one from the Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson.

Miss Provence To Succeed Gladys Keith

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — Florida's Youth Secretary will leave the sunshine of Florida for the riverfront of New Orleans.

Miss Elizabeth Provence of Jacksonville will become director of the Rachel Sims Baptist Mission in New Orleans, La. After 18 years as youth secretary for Woman's Missionary Union of the Florida Baptist Convention. She will direct a program of Mission activities which average a monthly attendance of more than 3000.

The announcement came from Clovis Brantley, Atlanta, Superintendent of the Home Mission Board's Mission Centers. The appointment will be effective September 1.

Miss Provence succeeds Miss Gladys Keith, who was director of the mission for 24 years before her retirement this year due to illness.

Baptist Building Is Dedicated

"This building is the fulfillment of many dreams," Dr. Winston Crawley said as he began the dedicatory address at the new Baptist publication building in Bandung, Indonesia.

Dr. Crawley, secretary for the Orient for the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, was visiting Baptist mission work in the Orient.

Among those who attended the dedication of the publication building were many who had long dreamed of its completion — those missionaries who arrived in Indonesia on December 25, 1951, as the first Southern Baptist ambassadors to the young nation, those who began translating and mimeographing needed Sunday school and other materials in their own homes, those who had worked many months in crowded conditions, and those who had been led to the Lord and to an increasing understanding of his purposes through the literature produced by Baptists in Indonesia.

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As individuals complete the last book in the Bible Survey Plan they will be eligible to request application blanks from this office on which to apply to Nashville for their "individual recognition award." Write Box 530, and state the number of application blanks needed.

The application for "Special Church Recognition award" in the Bible Survey Plan is attached to the folder by Crawford Howell "Bible Survey Plan for Sunday School Workers." Copies of this folder may be secured by writing this office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WEEK AT GULFSHORE ASSEMBLY August 22-26, 1960

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| <p>MAY ACTIVITIES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Focus on Cradle Roll Work 2. Observe Christian Home Week, May 1-3 3. Feature Baptist Hospitals and Nurse Recruitment <p>JUNE ACTIVITIES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Focus on Extension Work 2. Hold Extension Department Day June 5 3. Vacation Bible Schools 4. Observe "Operation Home Study" <p>JULY ACTIVITIES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Focus on Beginner Work 2. Nominate and elect general and department superintendents 3. Study space and equipment 4. Promote "Operation Home Study" | <p>CHARTERED BUSES
Air-Conditioned</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A chartered air-conditioned bus will leave Jackson for first Sunday School week at Ridgecrest on July 28 and return August 4. Transportation, admission to "UNTO THESE HILLS" hotels, motels, meals and sightseeing will be approximately \$52.45. This price does not include room and board at Ridgecrest Assembly. 2. A chartered bus will leave Jackson for Gulfshore, August 22, returning to Jackson on Friday, August 26. Transportation — \$10.50. 3. Write Carolyn Madison for itineraries and information. |
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THE BAPTIST RECORD 5

Says POAU Guards Money Line

WASHINGTON — (BP) — The role of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State

(POAU) is "to guard the money line in the use of tax funds for church purposes." According to C. Stanley Lowell, Associate Director.

Women's Gains Prove Need For More Workers

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (BP) — "The growth in membership of Woman's Missionary Union is indicative of a general increase in all phases of Woman's Missionary Union life," Miss Alma Hunt, Birmingham, executive secretary, stated.

She was commenting on the 4.3 per cent increase during 1959 in Woman's Missionary Union enrollment reported by the research and statistics department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. Woman's Missionary Union is an auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention.

"This report shows us the first results of the Baptist Jubilee Advance goals," Miss Hunt stated. Baptist Jubilee Advance plans call for state, associational and local Woman's Missionary Unions to set goals for gains in enrollment and in the number of unit organizations.

This increase in membership also means more paid workers are needed in the states, Miss Hunt pointed out. Following the plan of Convention-wide Union, many state organizations are employing directors for each of the three youth organizations.

YOUTH WEEK AT CROOKED CREEK

Rev. John G. McDonald, pastor at Monticello, will speak at the banquet to be held Saturday night, April 16, at Crooked Creek Church in Lawrence County, as a climax to Youth Week, which began April 10.

Joe Little and Genevieve Blair are in charge of music for the week. Francis Lee Sills is Training Union Director. (Last year Mr. Sills led the church to be one of the two Honor Churches in Lawrence County.) Rev. John L. Jones is pastor.

The explanation of the mandate of POAU was made in a speech before the annual meeting of the Associated Church Press. He delivered an address prepared by Dr. Glenn L. Archer, Executive Director of POAU, who had been scheduled to speak but was absent because of illness.

"Welfare State" Lowell pointed out that the "welfare state" trend in the Uni-

ted States created a critical situation for separation of church and state. When the government is concerned for the total welfare of all of its citizens, and when the church has extensive concerns in many of the same areas, the problem of proper church-state relations is inevitable, he said.

In his survey of church-state problems, Lowell called attention to the Hill-Burton Act that has provided funds for the erection of sectarian hospitals throughout the nation, to the National Defense Education Act that has made possible federal tax funds for theological education, to the school lunch program that evades state laws where necessary to serve parochial schools, and to the foreign donable property program that makes United States property available to church institutions.

Other cases cited by Lowell were on the local and state levels and included efforts to secure various educational aids for parochial schools such as bus transportation and textbooks. He indicated that in nearly every area in the nation church-state problems exist, such as public grants for private schools, birth control issues, health and welfare services, captive schools and hospitals in which public institutions have been taken over by Roman Catholic orders, and urban renewal projects with below-cost concessions being made to church groups.

Dialogue

Turning from the problems to possible action for their solution Lowell discussed the current "dialogue" proposals between Protestants and Catholics.

He said that POAU had always engaged in dialogue and conference before attempting legal action and that his organization was not opposed to dialogue as such but that "it is late to depend on dialogue."

Lowell attacked dialogue between those who are agreed, which ignores the issues, and which is mere sentimental congratulation of one another. He said that dialogue is commendable and edifying but it is not enough.

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Rev. Bobby Ray Perkins Old Oak Grove Pastor Ordained In Alabama

Rev. Bobby Ray Perkins has been called as pastor of Old Oak Grove Church in Union County.

A graduate of Clarke College, where he was President of the Ministerial Association for one year, Rev. Perkins was ordained to the gospel ministry by Sixteenth Avenue Church, Decatur, Alabama, in January.

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Studying Our Baptist Mission In Town And Country

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As the Home Mission study emphasis varies from year to year, it has come time to study "Our Mission in Town and Country." This represents the combined efforts of the Home Mission Board and the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention to focus the attention of all churches in the smaller communities.

This Year's Emphasis
This mission study emphasis will be followed throughout the year 1960 but is especially prepared for the Week of study for

the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions. Southern Baptist Church members are becoming increasingly mission-minded. As they do so, they want specific information regarding the changing conditions in Southern Baptist life. The emphasis this year upon studying the work of rural churches is very appropriate. Conditions are changing perhaps more rapidly today in town and country areas than anywhere else in America and than at any other time in previous history. The person who left the country fifteen or twenty years ago is probably today rather outdated in his information upon what is happening in town and country areas. Southern Baptists, through this mission study emphasis now have an opportunity to become alerted to the contemporary conditions of rural life and rural churches.

Focuses Attention

Dr. J. T. Gillespie has written the book for adults, *Reaching Rural Churches*. Dr. Gillespie is now doing field work for Gardner Webb College of North Carolina but for seven years was with the Home Mission Board as Field Secretary of Rural Work. In this book he focuses attention upon the need of the associational mission program. The Association is the channel through which the denomination can render service to its country churches. Dr. Gillespie presents in dramatic form the program of an Association as it chooses an associational Superintendent of Missions, and as it attempts to reach out a strengthening hand to every church in its association. Dr. Gillespie focuses attention upon the needs of rural churches by stressing the association as the means of meeting those needs.

Professor Garland A. Hendricks, of Southeastern Baptist Seminary has written the book for Young People entitled, *Call to the Country*. Professor Hendricks, who has been a rural pastor and who teaches rural church emphasis in the Southeastern Baptist Seminary is eminently qualified to write this story. It is the challenge of a young minister to give his life in total dedication to a country church. In story form and very readable, he contributes a great deal to the knowledge of the general background of the rural situation today and of the characteristics which tend to distinguish rural from urban churches.

Town and Country Churches
The book for Intermediates is written by Mrs. Marion McGinty Vinzant who is the wife of the president of Tift College in Forsyth, Georgia. The daughter of a Baptist minister and the wife of a Baptist minister, she has had extensive experience in working in rural churches and also in working with Intermediates. For a number of years she has been one of the writers for the Intermediate Training Union quarterlies. The title of the Intermediate book is *Deep Step R.F.D.* In this

entrancing story, Mrs. Vinzant presents the enthusiastic efforts of a group of Intermediates to make a personal contribution to their church. Through their relation to their problems and difficulties, much information is given regarding the rural church of which they are members.

The book for Juniors, *Mike and His Four Star Goal* is written by Dr. John T. Carter, professor in the Department of Education at Howard College, Birmingham, Alabama. Dr. Carter has lived in the country, has farmed, took a degree in Agricultural education and is thus well equipped to write this story for juniors. He has had writings experience in writing programs for Junior Royal Ambassadors as published in *Ambassador Life*. His book, *Mike and His Four Star Goal* shows that even Juniors can make a real contribution toward building a rural church.

The book for Primaries is written by Mrs. Frances Tunnell Carter, who is Mrs. John T. Carter, the wife of the author of the Junior book. She likewise has had ample experience to qualify her to write in this area and has prepared a most fascinating mission study experience for Primary boys and girls. This book utilizes the most recent and improved methods of working with children. Through this study course the children will learn much about rural life. The title of her book is *Sammy in the Country*.

Rural and City

Urban people need to know more about the transitions in rural life in order that they might understand this huge section of the Southern Baptist Convention which makes up 75 per cent of Southern Baptist churches. Many people who now live in the city grew up in the country. They need to study this emphasis in order to be aware of current conditions. The city person who has never lived on the farm will find this a most fascinating study of how the other half lives.

Likewise, people who are members of rural churches and even who have lived on the farm all their lives need to study this series of books in order to

GAIL ELROD, Geraldine, Alabama, has been elected by the students of Blue Mountain College to serve during the 1960-'61 as President of the Baptist Student Union, one of the two top student positions of the campus.

be aware of what is going on among rural churches. Many times we are so close to changes that we fail to understand their significance.

In order to facilitate the teaching of these books, the Missionary Education Council has prepared a number of very significant helps. For each of the study course books there is a Teacher's Guide. These have been prepared by most capable writers in the Southern Baptist Convention, including Janice Singleton, Dorothy Pryor, Mary Christian, and Mrs. Floyce Moon. The Teacher's Guides give additional information that will supplement the teaching effort.

In addition to these, two filmstrips have been prepared. *Teamed for Missions* is a filmstrip in color to go with the books for Young People and Adults. *Grandfather's New Church* is a filmstrip also in color to go with the Primary, Junior, and Intermediate study books.

FORT WORTH — (BP) — Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission has received a George Washington Honor Medal Award for "an outstanding achievement in helping to bring about a better understanding of the American Way of Life." The award, presented by the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge, Pa., honored the Commission for producing "Gimmick," a 30-minute dramatic film.

—Mississippians At Southern Seminary

Portrait Of A Preacher

Rev. David Lee Merritt, from Laurel, Mississippi, is a third-year student in the School of Theology at Southern Seminary. He graduated from Mississippi College in 1957 and entered the seminary that same year.

Merritt's main interest lies in the pastoral aspect of the ministry. He has been pastor the past two and one-half years at Pleasant Hill Church, Gravel Switch, Kentucky.

Another area of interest for Merritt is youth work. He has worked at Camp Ridgecrest, with Boy Scouts, and at present is working at a youth center in Louisville.

Mrs. Merritt is the former Joan Elaine Weed, also a graduate of Mississippi College, with a major in religious education and elementary education. They have one daughter, Wendy Sue, two months old.

Rev. Merritt's address is Box 344 (Apt. 127, Fuller Hall), 2005 Lexington Rd., Louisville, Ky.



NEWLY-ELECTED officers of the Woman's Student Government Association at Mississippi College are (left to right) seated: Delores Cole, Indiana sophomore, vice-president; Jane Lee, Forest Junior, president; standing: Patricia Barr, Cleveland sophomore, treasurer; Lacey Hunter, Cleveland Junior, historian; and Marilyn Wehman, Panama, Fla. freshman, secretary.—(M.C. Photo by Joe Ray).

Revival Dates

Freedom (Jones): April 17-22; Rev. W. P. Young, Jones Associational Superintendent of Missions, evangelist; Jack Gough, music director; Rev. Harold M. Hilbun, pastor.

Plymouth (Lowndes): April 17-22; Rev. H. O. Haywood, evangelist and pastor; Vester Findley, song leader; Mrs. Grover Fairchilds, pianist.

Crooked Creek (Lawrence): youth revival; April 10-15; Rev. John L. Jones, pastor and evangelist.

Flora: April 24-May 1; Dr. J. H. Kyzar, pastor of First Church, Greenwood, evangelist; Rev. Curtis Burge, music director; Rev. Joe Stovall, pastor.

North Greenwood: April 10-17; Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, associate executive secretary, Miss. Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, evangelist; Kenneth Forbus, minister of music, First Church, Greenville, song leader; Dr. Charles A. Ray, pastor.

Clarke-Venable, Decatur: Apr. 17-May 1; Rev. C. I. Miller, pastor-evangelist.

Parkway, Jackson: April 17-24; Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president emeritus of New Orleans Seminary, evangelist; Cecil Roper, music director; Dr. G. Norman Price, pastor.

Flora Simons Memorial: April 17-22; Rev. James Fancher, evangelist, (pictured) Reverend W. C. Smith, pastor. An old-fashioned dinner on-the-grounds will be served Sunday.

Oak Grove (Yazoo): April 17-22; Rev. James Duke, Brownsville, evangelist; Rev. Gene Horn, pastor and song leader; Miss Irene Cook, pianist. Dinner will be served at the church Sunday, April 17.

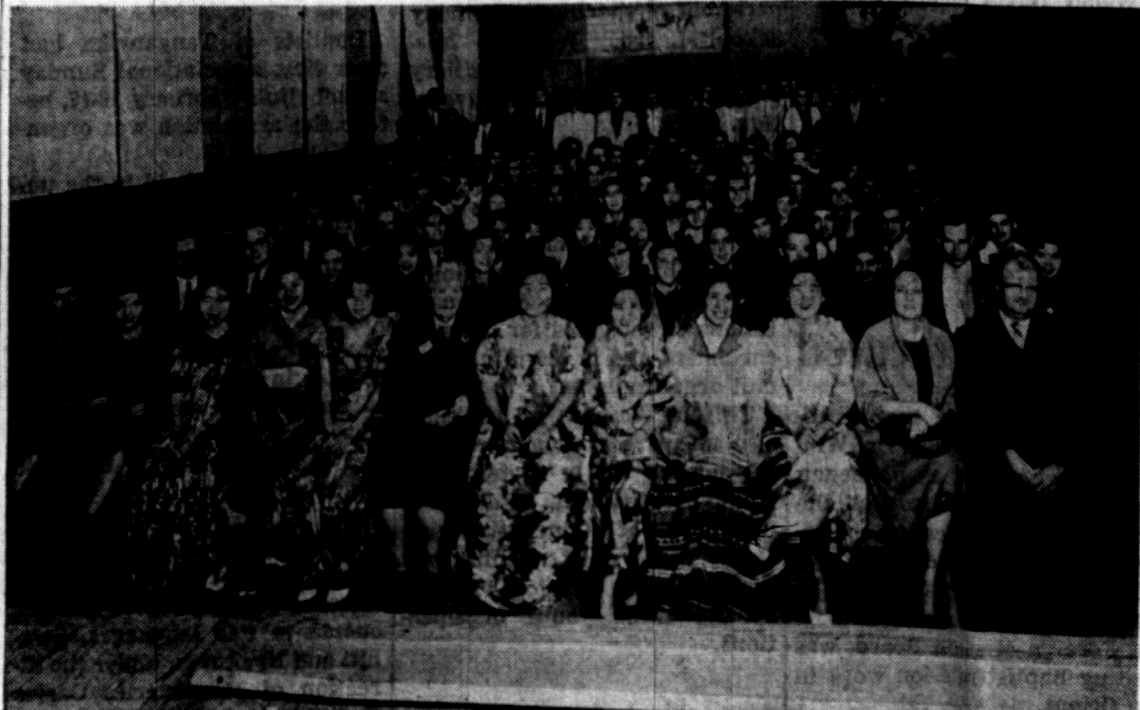
First, Okolona: April 24-29; Rev. James Richardson, pastor of First Church, Leland, evangelist; Rev. Wayne Coleman, pastor of Ruleville Church, song leader; Rev. Allison Bell, pastor.

Concord (Zachoo): April 17-22; Dr. Joe Cooper, professor at Mississippi College, evangelist; Rev. LeRoy Fenton, pastor and song leader.

Tutwiler, First: April 17-24; Rev. J. R. Nannay, First Church, Itta Bena, evangelist; Rev. J. M. Metts, Jr., Calvary Church, West Point, song leader; Rev. L. D. Wall, pastor.

New Albany, Neely Memorial: April 15-17; Rev. Clyde Strickland, Reform, Alabama, evangelist; Rev. Bill U. Fields, pastor.

Meridian, Key Field: April 10-17; Rev. J. C. Renfro, Crestwood Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Wade Allen, pastor and song leader.



International Houseparty

Revival Results

State Boulevard, Meridian: March 27-April 3. Rev. A. B. Pierce, Tallulah, La., evangelist; Glenn Merrill, music director. 15 professions of faith, 2 additions by letter, and 6 rededications. Rev. W. H. Henderson is pastor.

Belle Fontaine, Ocean Springs: March 27-April 2; Rev. J. Ray Grisett, pastor, Beaumont Church, evangelist; Howard Stone, Gulfport, singer. 5 professions of faith, 1 addition by letter, many rededications. Rev. Howard Davis, pastor.

Pearl: Rev. James Fancher, pastor of First Church, Florence, evangelist; James Netherland, singer; 10 professions of faith, 5 additions by letter, 19 rededications; Rev. Carl E. Talbert, pastor.

Emmanuel, Grenada: April 1-3, youth revival; Rev. Robert Shurden, evangelist; Rick Tutor, Sharon Harbour, Pat Barr, Mississippi College students in charge of the music; four rededications; one addition by letter; Rev. George Nichols, pastor.

Coldwater (Neshoba): March 27-April 3; Youth Week with Youth-led revival with a team from Clarke College composed of Grady Crowell, evangelist; Don Moore, song leader; 2 professions of faith; 2 for definite service, and 9 rededications; Rev. Clyde Turner, pastor.

Poplar Springs (Copliah): Apr. 15, 16, 17; Rev. John Tadlock, pastor and evangelist; Lewis B. Traylor, song leader.

Grandview Heights Chapel, Jackson: April 17-24; Rev. Gordon Shamburger, pastor and evangelist; Hollis Conn, Min. of Music, Central Church, Brookhaven, song leader.

Bowen Memorial, Fernwood (GC): April 17-24; Rev. Charles McCullen, Baton Rouge, La., evangelist; Harold Stratz, Mississippi City, song leader; Rev. Robert C. Clardy, pastor.

Corinth, Picayune: April 18-24; Rev. Kenneth F. Wall, Winnfield, La., evangelist; Talmadge Butler, Gulf Gardens Church, Gulfport, song leader; Rev. R. H. Crawley, pastor.

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This year, unlike former years the program brings into sharp focus one of the Special Day Objectives: the International House

Party, which is held at Thanksgiving. Your gifts make possible this Christian witness for the overseas students studying in the colleges of our state. Pictured below is one of the Houseparty groups.

An item added for this year only is a memorial scholarship for Miss Minnie Landrum who served 37 years in Brazil — 26 of this time she served as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of Brazil Woman's Missionary Union. The income from the Memorial Scholarship fund plus other money given by friends at the time of Miss Minnie's death in November will pay the tuition each year for a student to attend the Training School in Rio.

CARVER SCHOOL ALUMNI TO MEET IN MIAMI BEACH

Dr. Winston Crawley will speak to the alumni of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work in their meeting in Miami Beach on May 18. Dr. Crawley, Secretary of the Orient of the Foreign Mission Board, is married to an alumna of the Carver School, the former Margaret Lawrence.

Dr. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., Carver School President, will report on current plans of the school.

Mrs. Rice A. Pierce of Nashville is President of the Carver School Alumni Association and will preside over the Miami Beach meeting.

The annual meeting is to be a 7:15 A. M. breakfast in the Surf Room of the Shore Club Hotel. Miss Margaret McKinney, Manager of the Baptist Book Store in Miami, is chairman of the committee for local arrangements. Miss McKinney

WHO'S WHO

Five persons connected with Mississippi College have been listed in the most recent edition of *Who's Who in America*.

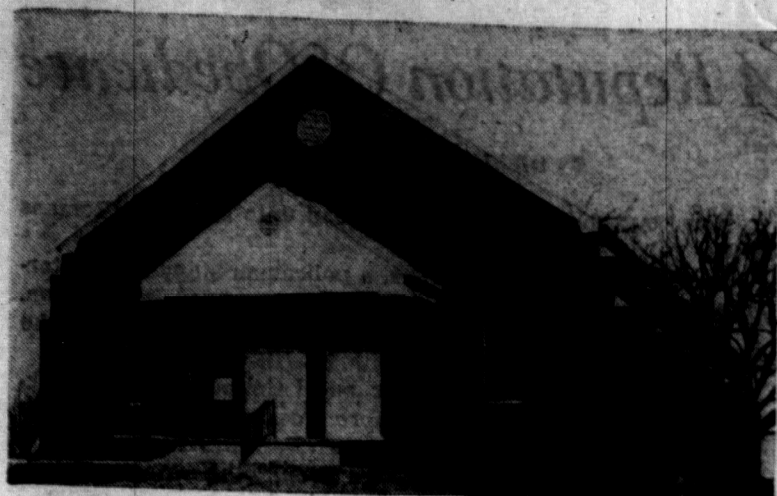
President of the College, Dr. R. A. McLemore; emeritus president Dr. D. M. Nelson; director of the graduate school, Dr. Guy Mitchell; academic dean Dr. Howard E. Spell; and Prof. of history P. I. Lipsey, are named in the edition.

Midwestern Enrolls 296 Students

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(BP)—Cumulative enrolment at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here stands at 296, since 21 new students have enrolled for the second semester.

Students come from 27 states and 62 colleges. Missouri ranks first in number of students enrolled with 121.

Registrar V. Lavell Seats states that the reception of the seminary by area churches has been "splendid." Nearly 70 per cent of the students presently have pastorates or serve as song leaders, youth directors, institutional missionaries, assistant pastors, or educational directors.



SHOWN above is the new sanctuary of the Verona Church.

Verona Dedicates Sanctuary

Dedication services for the sanctuary of Verona Church were held March 27 at 2:30. Rev. Richard Adkinson, a former pastor, and present pastor of Longcrest Church, Memphis, preached the dedication sermon.

Others appearing on the program included, Rev. Robert Rogers, pastor; Rev. Jerry Estes, ministerial student; Eugene Walden, a member of Verona Church called to the ministry; John Ballard, Chairman of Deacons; and Rev. Tulon Anglin, a former member, now pastor at Harpersville Church.

Mrs. Richard Adkinson, sang "How Great Thou Art," accompanied by Mrs. C. C. McLanahan, organist. The choir sang

"To God Be the Glory," directed by Maurice Pitts, program planning chairman, accompanied by Mrs. McLanahan and Mrs. Robert Rogers, church pianist.

Following the services a reception was held in the parlors of Verona Methodist Church for the adult congregation and in Fellowship Hall for the young people.

The vestibule of the church displayed three posters, one listing the pastors "Through the Years," another showing in pictures the growth of the church from its beginning 102 years ago to the present structure, and the third showing pictures of those who have dedicated their lives to full-time Christian service.

ROYAL AMBASSADOR CAMP

Spring has come and summer time is just around the corner. To boys, summer time means camp time. The Brotherhood

Department will direct five Royal Ambassador camps at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly this summer.

The purpose of these camps is to lead each boy to a vital and living experience with Christ through camp life, and to challenge him to accept his responsibility in God's world.

Check the camp dates listed below for the best date for the boys in your chapter to attend. Each camp will be opened to both junior and intermediate boys.

CAMP DATES:

June 6-11
June 13-18
June 20-25
June 27-July 2
July 4-9

THE BAPTIST RECORD
KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions To The Church

APRIL 19, 1960		
Aberdeen, First	330	182
Amory, First	343	173
Arcole	55	22
Batesville, First	508	205
Bethlehem (Jones)	230	147
Bethel (Copley)	112	71
Biloxi, Emmanuel	327	141
Biloxi, Forrest Ave.	174	94
Booneville, First	328	166
Brookhaven, First	1018	319
Brookhaven, Second	945	277
Halbert Heights	71	42
Bruce, First	213	118
Byram	231	126
Canton, Center Terrace	217	90
Calhoun City, First	343	150
Clarks, First	134	87
Clinton	183	96
Water Oak Mission	31	21
Clarkdale, Oakhurst	703	207
Clear Creek (Laf.)	55	22
Cleveland, Immanuel	245	109
Cleveland, First	391	111
Cleveland, Calvary	230	106
Cleveland, Yale St.	154	98
Clinton, Morrison	203	114
Heights	204	114
Collins	101	50
Corinth, Calvary	389	104
Corinth, First	637	179
Crystal Springs, First	510	20
Greenville, Parkview	1103	316
Greenville, First	997	263
Main	120	53
Greenfield	511	206
Greenwood, Calvary	478	125
Greenwood, North	343	98
Gulfport, Grace Mem.	341	127
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	1041	441
Hattiesburg, Main St.	961	381
Main	35	20
North Main	35	40
Yawside	272	162
Hattiesburg, Central	447	169
Jackson	1107	448
West Jackson	268	157
Daniel Mem.	302	159
Southside	1128	536
Emmanuel	1676	531
Highland	1636	501
Parkway	40	30
Calvary	792	346
Mission	116	60
Ridgecrest	348	151
Temple	337	158
Hillcrest	358	130
McDowell Road	795	360
Oak Forest	1737	514
Broadmoor	440	278
Wink	818	353
First	747	209
Crestwood	162	101
Ola Woods	460	181
Grandview Heights	673	250
Kosciusko, First	411	102
Main	31	104
Maple Mission	372	91
Laurel	23	13
Plainway	106	101
Highland	75	55
First	165	62
Second Avenue	322	123
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Main	539	233
Mission	103	40
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— THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON — Children Of The Resurrection

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
Scripture Texts: Ephesians 3:1-10; Colossians 3:1-15.

INTRODUCTION. For the first two lessons in this month, we looked at the words of the Master. These words were taken from the Sermon on the Mount. In this lesson we turn aside from any temporal or logical continuity in the lesson materials to consider the subject uppermost in the thinking of Christian people everywhere on this day.

I plead with all who read these words to be good to themselves, their Sunday school classes, their churches, and their risen Lord, by taking time to read again the gospel accounts of the resurrection as that account is recorded in Matthew 28:1-15; Mark 16:1-11; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-18, that a fitting foundation may be laid for the enlightening and edifying study of the words of Paul which make our printed text.

What is the title, "Children of the Resurrection," intended to mean? Resurrection, as the word is here used, means a kind of life, a quality of life, a sort of life in the source of which there resides the vital power to propagate, reproduce its kind. In Paul's thinking, it does not wait until after death to manifest itself. It is the quality of life implanted by the Spirit, of which Paul said that, if the Spirit of God which raised up Christ Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He also will raise your mortal body by His Spirit which dwelleth in you.

The resurrection life is the quality of life which raises men and women dead in sin, bound in sin, blind in sin, into the life which is sight out of blindness, freedom out of bondage, strength out of weakness. Paul tells his Ephesians (Ephesians 2:1-10) that they were once dead! Not sick, dead, separated from God, alienated from God; without the least eternal, vital union with God, being "by nature children" (Not children of the resurrection, but children) "of wrath."

"But God, being rich in mercy, on account of His great love wherewith He loved us, even when we were dead, Made us alive with Christ . . . and raised us up with Him, and made us to sit with Him in the heaven, lies in Christ Jesus."

When did God make us alive in the life of resurrection? Let us say that it was when the Spirit, in response to our faith, made us alive from the dead.

What did He do for us who were dead? "Raised us up with Him, and made us to sit with Him in the heavenlies!"

What now? Those Children of the Resurrection sit in the loftiest seats in the universe of God and experience the blessedness of the quality of life that burns in the heart of the Almighty. May we briefly notice a few of the characteristics that distinguish them?

I. THE ASSERTION OF THE FACT. "If ye then be risen with Christ" (Col. 3:1) Paul is not here questioning the reality of the resurrection quality of the life of his Colossians, but asserting it, as though he had said, "You have been raised with Christ," therefore do the appropriate things.

I once heard the well-loved Zeno Wall call out in a loud voice, just after he had dismissed the prayer meeting congregation in the Clinton church, "Brethren, shake hands with one another, if you are on speaking terms," by which he assuredly meant, "Because you are on speaking terms, do what I suggest."

Paul's word translated "be risen," means "be grown together," "become an integral part of," the body of Christ. Paul never thought of the union of a believer with Christ as other than an indissoluble union.

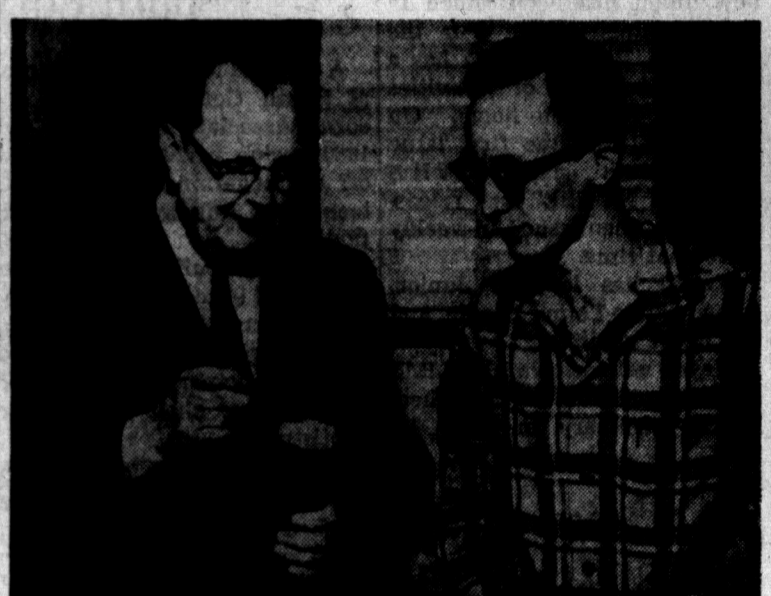
III. PAUL SPECIFYING, OR GIVING NEGATIVE ILLUSTRATIONS. "Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth" or as the RSV has it, "Put to death therefore what is earthly in you." Now, we are well advised that negative rules of conduct, negative ethics, negative religion, all these are faulty, vain, and empty. But all the same, there are negative principles which are very important.

There are a thousand things we must not think, must not speak, must not do, if we would live as Children of the Resurrection. The "Thou Shalt Not" . . . rings out of God's word

over and over, and is written in to the laws of our very living. Thou shalt not stand in the path of a speeding train or automobile. Thou shalt not grasp a high-power wire. Disobedience to any of these provisions will cost thee thy life.

IV. DEMOCRACY OF THE CHILDREN OF THE RESURRECTION. "Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free."

(Lesson commentary based on "The International Sunday School Lesson," International Bible Lessons for Christian Teaching, copyrighted by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.)



PROF. H. A. CARLOCK, Mississippi College physics professor, discusses the elements of a television tube with physics major, Tommy O'Neal, son of Dr. and Mrs. Norman O'Neal of Clinton, and a Mississippi College senior. O'Neal will study chemical physics at the University of Florida next year on a National Defense Education Fellowship. Prof. Carlock is his major professor at Mississippi College. (MC Photo by Joe Ray).

Microfilm Minutes At Convention

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—(BP)—"Microfilm your church minutes during the Southern Baptist Convention," the Southern Baptist Historical Commission urges messengers coming here for the 1960 session.

The Historical Commission has secured a special microfilm camera to use at the convention. It and the Church Administration Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board will work together in the microfilm project.

Mrs. Reba McMahon, Nashville, Tenn., photographer, said that a messenger may bring minutes into the booth on Monday or Tuesday and expect to have the finished microfilm print ready Friday. Microfilm laboratories in Miami will give two-day service.

I hope many churches will give attention to this project and vote to have their minutes microfilmed during the time of the convention," said Dr. Davis C. Woolley, Nashville, Executive Secretary of the Historical Commission.

The microfilm operation will be at the Historical Commission's booth in the exhibit area. Recordak Corp. will provide the camera on which filming will take place.



Miss Cornelia Sills

Featured Soloist At Easter Sunrise Service

Miss Cornelia Sills, Jackson Central High School senior and member of Griffith Memorial Baptist Church choir, will sing the solo: "I Know My Redeemer Liveth" at Jackson's annual city-wide Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday Morning at 6 a. m. in Hinds Memorial Stadium.

Another Baptist on the program is Dr. David R. Grant of Broadmoor Baptist Church who will read the Scripture. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins of First Baptist Church was chairman for the Jackson Ministerial Association committee which co-sponsors the event with the Jackson Jaycees. Rev. Roy C. Clark of Capitol Street Methodist Church will preach the sermon.

This is a nonsectarian observance for all faiths. Everyone in the Jackson-area is invited and urged to attend. In event of rain, services will be held at Millsaps College Christian Center Auditorium.

Off The Record

A grammar teacher asked her pupils to supply antonyms for certain words. "What is the opposite of sorrow?"

"Joy," was the quick response.

"That's correct. Now what is the opposite of misery?"

"Happiness," called out one student.

"Right. Now give me the opposite of woe."

"Giddy-up!" came a voice from the rear.

A young lawyer pleading his first case had been retained by a farmer to prosecute a railway company for killing 24 hogs. He wanted to impress the jury with the magnitude of the injury.

"Twenty-four hogs, gentlemen! Twice the number there in the jury box!"

Said the hat to the necktie: "You hang around while I go on a head."

"We've been waiting a long time for that mother of mine."

"Hours, I should say."

"Oh, Jack, this is so sudden!"

Boss: "This is the end. You're fired!"

Worker: "Fired? I allus thought slaves were sold."

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8-DAY INDIANA REVIVAL ENTERING FOURTH WEEK

CLARKSVILLE, Ind.—(BP)—A revival at First Southern Baptist Church here was to last for eight days. Pastor Lyndon W. Collings reported the meeting has entered its fourth week.

At the close of three weeks, he said, there have been 100 professions of faith in Christ, 13 additions by letter, and 10 young people surrendering for church-related service.

The church has engaged its fifth evangelist and its fourth song leader to serve during the extended revival.

Among those serving have been seminary students and pastors, as well as professors from Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

OAK GROVE YOUTH WEEK OBSERVES

Oak Grove Church, Jefferson Davis County, observed Youth Week, April 3-10. Bobbie Joe Holloway, graduating from high school this year, was youth pastor. Tommy Sinclair, Mississippi College ministerial student, was a featured speaker.

Rev. William H. Graham, pastor, was in charge of the music. Judy Tyrone dedicated her life for Christian service. There was one addition by letter.

Young people taking office for the week were Bobbie Joe Holloway, Junior Barnes, Judy Tyrone, Larry Magee, Mattie Lou Burrow, Jerry Magee, Frances Mobley, Elaine Magee, Fran Holloway, Shirley Burrow, Peggy Armstrong, Mary Lee Ross, Gaile Magee, Lewis Ross, Annie Sue Burrow, Jerry Bullock, Lloyd Herrington, Tommy Magee, Joe Ross, Harold Stafford, and Joe Stafford.

Vincent Accepts Position In Louisiana Church

Wayne Vincent has resigned as Music and Educational Director of Bethel Church (Pearl River) to accept the same position with First Church, Zachary, Louisiana, beginning May 1.

Wayne has been at Bethel since March, 1959. A regular monthly Sunday School Teach-

ers and Officers meeting has been revived and two new classes have been added to the Sunday School. A regular monthly Training Union Council meeting has been started and one new union has been added to the Training Union. For the first time, Bethel Church has a Church Calendar of Activities available for each home. On October 4, 1959 the first issue of a youth paper "THE CHURCH MOUSE" was released. It has been issued bi-weekly since that time.

Wayne has led the Junior, Intermediate-Young People, and the Adult choirs.

Wayne will receive his M.R.E. Degree from New Orleans Theological Seminary on May 10, 1960.

SW Pastors To Meet April 19

The Southwest Pastor's Conference will meet with the First Church, Natchez, Tuesday, April 19, at 9:30 A. M.

The program will be held in conjunction with the Adams County Evangelistic Crusade and Evangelist Buckner Fanning will be the speaker. Dr. D. Lewis White is the host pastor.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (RNS)—The Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here shipped 14,847,000 tons of literature to churches and members last year, a spokesman said. This amount was 7.7 per cent more than in 1958, it was noted.



REV. V. L. HARDY, pastor, holds the shovel as he breaks ground for a new building at South Corinth Church. H. T. Conley, on the pastor's right, and J. W. Vassar, on the pastor's left, are members of the Building Committee. Rev. Duail Corbitt, evangelist for the spring revival, is at extreme left.

South Corinth Breaks Ground for New Building

A ground-breaking ceremony at South Corinth Church, Alcorn Association, closed the 1960 spring revival and kicked off the beginning of a new fifteen room Sunday school addition.

The new building will give additional space for 230 Sunday School pupils and provide a new library. It will enlarge the present sanctuary to provide for a 25-member choir and a new baptistry.

The plans to go ahead with this building program were cinched last September when the Church was in a "Pastor-Led Sunday School Enlargement Campaign," the only church in the Association to participate.

Additional property was purchased last summer as parking space and as a playground. The pastor is hoping for a branch library to be located at the church to serve all the people in the area and a music center for those who wish to come for piano and voice training.

Rev. V. L. Hardy, pastor, stated, "I believe that a church should be more to a people than just a place to worship God one day out of a week. It should, in fact, in this age it must be, the hub of all Christ-centered community activities."

Homer Criswell, Sunday School Superintendent, has

plans to completely departmentalize the Sunday school when the building is completed. He plans nursery facilities for children from the cradle through three years old.

William Dean, Training Union Director, has the same plans for the Training Union. The W. M. S. will have their own society room.

Norman Wicks, J. W. Vassar,

Ruleville Gives Attendance Pins

The following people at Ruleville Church have received perfect attendance pins:

Adult Department: W. G. Gibson, 6 yr.; G. S. Stewart, 5 yr.; Mrs. J. D. Taylor, 1 yr. Young People's Department: Eddie Hunter, 5 yr.; Nola Bowman, 5 yr.

Intermediate Department: Eugene Bowman, 5 yr.; Franklin Eubanks, 4 yr.; Seale Stewart, 4 yr.; Mary Alice Eubanks, 4 yr. Junior Department: Linda Pratt, 4 yr.; Betty Bowman, 5 yr.; Donnie Bowman, 5 yr.; Donna Stewart, 3 yr.

Primary Department: Shirley Martin, 3 yr.

Beginner Department: Debbie Bowman, 2 yr.

Rev. Wayne Coleman is pastor.

H. T. Conley and Azure Newcomb are serving on the Building Committee. Marlin Clark and Hubert Bridges are in charge of the construction.

New Prospect To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

On April 24 the New Prospect Church in Lafayette Association will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary and homecoming with an all-day service and dinner on the ground.

Special features for the day will be the reading of a brief history of the church; special music; a message in the morning by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary for Mississippi Baptists; a memorial service for the deceased members; recognitions of special groups and individuals; and testimonials by former pastors present and others. The services will begin at ten o'clock with regular Sunday School services.

Rev. Elton Barlow has been pastor at New Prospect for almost four and a half years.

A Reputation Of Obedience

By DR. JOE H. TUTEN, Pastor
First, Biloxi

"For your obedience is come abroad unto all men" (Romans 16:19a).

In one of our Southern cities, a policeman stopped a motorist who had just moved across an intersection. "Did you see that stop sign?" asked the policeman.

"Yes, Officer, and I slowed down and looked both ways before crossing," the motorist replied.

"The sign says 'Stop,'" the officer reminded him.

"Well, I almost stopped," the motorist explained.

Not "Almost" "But the sign does not say 'almost stop,' the sign says 'Stop,'" the officer insisted.

Trying somewhat desperately to assure the officer of his good intentions as a careful driver, the man said, "Officer, I almost came to a complete stop; I did everything but stop."

Firmly the policeman replied, "The sign does not say 'do everything but stop,' the sign says 'Stop,' and you did not stop." The man received his ticket.

God has always looked for obedience from his people. Moses exhorted the Israelites to obey the Lord. He said there would be "a blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the Lord your God." On the other hand, he warned of "a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the Lord your God" (Deuteronomy 11:27-27). Three thousand years of Israelitic history stand in evidence here.

Samuel tried to teach Saul that "to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams" (1 Samuel 15:22).

Dangerous To Disobey It is dangerous to disobey God. The thirteenth chapter of I Kings presents the tragic story of a man who did not follow the Lord's instructions. The first-century Christians decided very quickly that they "ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29).

The Christians in Rome had established a reputation of obedience to God. One does not hear enough about such a reputation among us. Frustration, disillusionment, and bitterness are the results. There is no substitute for obedience, and God's commandments are not grievous.

No words of sacred music are truer to the scriptures than the simple Gospel song which says, "Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey."

Rental Car Outfit Gives Miami Plan

MIAMI, Fla. — (BP) — A national car rental agency here — Hertz — has announced that messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention traveling to certain northern points may like to take advantage of the company's "deal" for moving cars northward.

Each year, after the winter tourist season, the company has many rental cars in Miami which it needs to move north

to other locations as the demand for car rentals fluctuates.

Interested messengers should contact H. G. Merritt, Hertz, 666 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Fla. They should inform him of their travel plans, dates of leaving Miami and arriving northern point, and that they in Miami Beach for the 1960 Southern Baptist Convention.

Our home is a talent we can invest for our Lord.—Elizabeth O'Bryan White in Feb. Home Life.

DOES CHURCH ATTENDANCE INCREASE WITH AGE?

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—(EP)—"Religion is for old people." This stock phrase of many young people was not substantiated by a recent survey of nearly 7,000 Protestants, Roman Catholics and Jews over 21 years of age in the Detroit metropolitan area.

The survey, conducted by Harold L. Orbach of the University of Michigan's Department of Gerontology, has found that a five-years' survey which he has conducted fails "to show any general trend in attendance with age or indication of an increase in religiosity in the later years."

Surveyor Orbach has found that the proportion which attended services once a week ranged from 43 to 49 per cent, but showed no steady increase with age. Women's attendance topped men's, the survey shows, especially among women between 40 and 65 years of age.

Fellow Pastors Honor Rogers

The Chickasaw Pastors' Conference has adopted resolutions honoring Rev. J. E. Rogers, who served as pastor in the association for the past ten years and as clerk of the association for the past five years.

Rev. Rogers resigned Pleasant Ridge Church, Chickasaw County, to accept Self Creek Church, Oktibbeha County.

His fellow pastors commend his "dedication to the Lord's work, and faithfulness in the discharge of his pastoral and associational responsibilities."

Dr. Leo Green To Conduct Tour Of Bible Lands

Dr. J. Leo Green, professor of Old Testament Interpretation at Southeastern Seminary, will conduct a tour of Bible lands this summer. The tour group will leave New York on June 13 and return July 16.

They will visit England, France, Switzerland, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Lebanon, Syria, Israel, Jordan, and Egypt, with major emphasis on lands of the Bible. Baptist mission work will be visited in the lands where Baptists have missionaries.

The tour proper will end in Zurich, Switzerland, so that those wishing to do further travel will be in the center of Europe.

Further information may be obtained from Dr. J. Leo Green,

Dr. Taylor Is Awarded \$4,000 Fellowship

NEW ORLEANS — Dr. James C. Taylor, Professor at New Orleans Seminary, has been awarded a \$4,000 fellowship through the American Association of Theological Schools.

Dr. Taylor, a native Mississippian and a graduate of the Seminary and member of the faculty since 1952, will begin his sabbatical leave in September.

Accompanied by his wife and son, he will make his home in New York during most of the 1960-61 session where he will study at Union Theological Seminary under Dr. George Buttrick, Professor of Preaching.

During the spring term of 1961 he will be engaged in research work at Oxford University, England, and the remainder of the school year will be spent in gathering materials in England and on the continent for writings in pastoral ministries.

He will resume his teaching duties at the seminary in September of 1962.

Of all the things that take place in family life, worship together can unify the home more than almost anything else.—A. Donald Bell in Feb. Home Life.

Box 297, Wake Forest, North Carolina.



YOUTH WEEK OFFICERS AT HIGHLAND, LAUREL.—Reading from left to right: Billy Comp-ton, Training Union Director; Cynthia Moffat, Church Pianist; Jimmy Wheelis, Deacon Chairman; Sandy Phillips, Educational Secretary; Dog Tillery, Youth Week Pastor; Ed Fulton, Associate Pastor; Dianne Lewis, Organist; Dick Furr, Sunday School Supt.; Pat Gartin, WMU President; Billy Jordan, Brotherhood President. Rev. M. G. Reedy is pastor; Rev. Odean Puckett is associate pastor.

Kenneth Mixon Youth Pastor At Emmanuel

Kenneth Mixon was youth pastor at Emmanuel Church, Grenada, during Youth Week March 27-April 3.

Other young people holding office were Edward Horn, Katherine Chesteen, Bobbie Allday, Bobby Bell, Stanley McCombs, Charles Turner, Dewell Brasher, Jr., Carole DeFilippo, Claudette Riley, Leda Harris, Judy McCombs, Linda Collins, Roy Lee Whittemore, Honey Portera, Donnie Spruill, Gayle Todd, Billy Heath, Clint Nichols, Le-verne Ricks, Jonnie Spruill, Dudley McFerrin, Donna Savage, Larry Turnage, Wayne Taylor, Jimmy Nail, Ronnie Bussey, Robert Philly, Kenny Tierce, Jimmy Whittemore, Bobbie Ricks, Rosemary Bain, Marolyn Mallette, Linda Riley, Shirley Brasher, Jean Tutor, Janice Mitchell, Margaret Pierce, and Dewey Bain, Jr. Rev. George Nichols is pastor.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The \$1,750,000 James P. Boyce Centennial Library was officially dedicated March 10 during the Spring Conferences of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

YOUNG PEOPLE TAKE OFFICE AT FREEDOM

Freedom Church in Jones County, has observed Youth Week, reports pastor Harold M. Hilburn.

Vernell Watkins served as youth pastor while Marilyn Easterling was Sunday School Superintendent, Charles Noble Training Union director and Garland Clark was choir director. Others serving in various responsibilities were: Anita Dyess, Esther Sumrall, Mary Frances Busby, Barbara Upchurch, Virginia Sue Cleckler, Joyce Norton, Joyce Sasser, La Donna Howard, Mike Howard, Alton Norwell, Barbara Stephens, Belvia Pearson, Charles Sumrall, Jimmy Cleckler, Pete Pearson, and Jimmy Bankston.

LEBANON VBS CLINIC HELD AT IMMANUEL

The Lebanon Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic was held at the Immanuel Church, Hattiesburg, yesterday with 150 attending. Miss Jewel Hannah, Vacation Bible School Superintendent, and Chester Vaughn, Sunday School Superintendent of Lebanon Association were in charge of the program.

Departmental conference leaders included: Nursery, Mrs. J. W. Arledge, Main Street Church; Beginner, C. S. Hodge and Mrs. James Edwards, also of Main Street Church; Primary, Bill Latham, Immanuel Church; Junior, Mrs. George Crawford, Temple Church; Intermediate, Mrs. P. E. Slade and Mrs. Neal Stokes, both of Temple Church; Principals and Pastors, Chester Vaughn, First Church, Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Pastor, Immanuel Church, brought a message of challenge.

ABC OFFICIAL COMMENTS ON WICHITA CHURCH'S ACTION

NEW YORK (RNS)—An American Baptist Convention official said here that withdrawal of financial support from the ABC by the First Baptist church, Wichita, Kan., to protest convention membership in the National Council of Churches was "purely coincidental" with publicity regarding Air Force manual charges of communist infiltration in the NCC.

The church's board of deacons made its recommendation (by a vote of 32 to 7) more than a week before the Air Force manual story broke in the press, said Dr. W. Hubert Porter of New York, the ABC's associate general secretary. The Air Force manual was subsequently withdrawn.

Largest church in the American Baptist Convention, annually toward support of the ABC program. Its members voted 1,170 to 235 endorsing the board of deacons' resolution to withhold funds from the ABC following nearly a month of debate among laymen, deacons and clergy.

The church also has petitioned the denomination "to take decisive action" at its annual meeting at Rochester, N. Y., in June "to sever any and all connections" with the National Council.

Coldwater Church Has Youth Week

Youth Week was observed March 27-April 3 at Coldwater in Neshoba Association.

Murray Johnson served as youth pastor. The following young people served as teachers and leaders in Sunday School and Training Union:

James Hardy, Gerald Houston, Patsy Houston, Annette Johnson, Sandra Wroten, Jimmie Johnson, Glenda Moore, Brenda Edwards, Gene Dearing, Glenda Payne, Lyn Houston, Sarah Harrison, Brenda Barnes, Nancy Johnson, Peggie Ely, Nancy Kennedy, Rhonda Payne, Eamie Gail Townsend, Rebecca Edwards, Brenda Shepherd, Fredda Johnson, Eillon Hardy, Jerry Johnson.

Serving as deacons and ushers were: Jerry Barnes, Ben Johnson, Reubin Moore, James Ely, Larry Goldman, Steve Johnson, James Moore, Steve Turner, and Larry Hardy.

Rev. Clyde Wroten is pastor.

A class in church public relations, taught by Dr. Hal D. Bennett, will be offered for the first time at the Institute. Material covered will be the same as he taught for four years in his classes at the New Orleans Seminary.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — President Eisenhower has been asked here to raise the question of religious freedom in Colombia when the president of that country, Dr. Alberto Lleras-Camargo, visits the United States in April. Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State, said in a letter to the President that "Protestant groups have had many difficulties in practicing their religious faith there and have been subjected to many pressures."

Calvary Plans Homecoming Day

Sunday, April 24, will be Homecoming Day at Calvary Church, Starkville.

The Homecoming Day program will begin at 11:00 with the regular Sunday Morning worship service. The noon meal will be served on the church grounds immediately following the morning service.

The afternoon program will begin at 1:30 and the guest speakers will be ministers who surrendered to the ministry while attending the Church.

All former members are invited to attend. Rev. B. A. Burrell is pastor.